MOPAR Original parts always fit better
CHRYSLER MOTORS
TEL AVIV • JERUSALEM • HAIFA

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1955

THE JERUSALEM POST

PRICE: 100 PRUTA
VOL. XXXI, No. 8113

JERUSALEM'S OUTFITTERS FOR MEN AND WOMEN
ROSENBLUM
1 PRINCESS MARY AVE.
ORDER YOUR NEW OUTFIT FOR PESSAH NOW.

Marginal Column

By GEORGE LEONOV

IT is pretty clear by now that the question of Formosa cannot be crammed into the framework of the East-West dispute, which otherwise covers ample ground. Various attempts to do so have not succeeded, and awkward Formosan corners continue to encroach on territory both neighbouring and remote — among them the field of Anglo-American relations. It is highly improbable that yesterday's speech of the American Secretary of State was intended to be a reply to Sir Anthony Eden's statements in the House of Commons 12 hours later, since it was announced on Monday that Mr. Dulles would address the nation yesterday, and that he had consulted on the speech with President Eisenhower. Nevertheless, the speech did bring out into open, and at the highest level, that the gulf between American and British thinking on Formosa has not narrowed.

●

TO date, this critical problem has been tackled from three different directions, none of which seem to have succeeded. The United Nations attempt to take a crack at it was quashed by China's refusal to discuss a cease-fire in the offshore islands out of the general context of the Formosa dispute. Both Sir Anthony and Mr. Dulles have now made it clear that the "secret diplomacy" on which Britain and India had embarked had also failed: the one stating that the necessary conditions for an international conference did not exist, and the other that the efforts of friendly nations "on their own responsibility" had not met with success so far. The trial balloon released by Prime Minister U Nu of Burma, who announced that China is willing to discuss her differences with an unofficial American delegation in Peking, popped before it could soar beyond the columns of the press, though of the three variants direct Sino-American discussions would seem the most practical. At the present stage, however, it is a wishful oversimplification. ●

THE British want both sides publicly to renounce the use of force, while the Formosa Government should evacuate the off-shore islands — the most dangerous immediate point of contact. Neither side, according to the blueprint, would be expected thereby to surrender its claims, while the problems of Chinese representation at the U.N. and the future of Formosa "could then be given internationally at an appropriate stage." The U.S. has never in as many words rejected these terms as a possible point of departure for a settlement, but neither has it flatly stated that American forces would not be employed in fighting for the islands of Matsu and Quemoy — which is believed the only thing that would make General Chiang Kai-shek more likely to accept them. And the reason why America has not done so is sufficiently weighty. She is, after all allied to Gen. Chiang, and a withdrawal from the off-shore islands would detract considerably from his prestige internally; moreover there appears no good reason why Washington should offend the General by plucking two more plumes from his already rather frayed tail before China gives some indication that she is ready, on her side, to accept the British plan.

●

AMERICAN fears that the terms as outlined by Sir Anthony will be rejected by China are well grounded, and may have prompted Mr. Dulles' strong language yesterday. As far as Peking is concerned, the suggestion that both the mainland and Formosa governments renounce the use of force is a one-way proposition. Mr. Mao Tse-tung is not serious worried by the Nationalist forces per se, and while his own army is not ready to invade Formosa, his Government is not likely to agree to an indefinite status quo, which might result if the future of Formosa is irretrievably turned over to international negotiation.

●

REPORTS from Taipeh now speak of the probability of a fourth variant — a "general Far Eastern war. The reports may be exaggerated, but the only responsible body left to decide is still the United Nations. Its recent failure in attempting to find a purely local solution should not deter the world organization from seeking a more basic Formosa settlement.

Jerusalem, March 10.

Hungarian Party Accuses Premier Duped Workers

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter) —The Central Committee of the Hungarian Workers (Communist) Party has accused Prime Minister Imre Nagy of "duping the workers with demagogic promises" and ordered heavy industry to take priority over consumer goods production, Budapest Radio reported today.

In a long statement quoted by M.T.I., the Hungarian news agency, the committee blamed Mr. Nagy's "other comrades in the ministries, the press and right-wing deviationists" of creating "disturbing signs" in the political and economic situation.

It was Mr. Nagy, who in opposition to the heavy industrialisation plans of Mr. Matyas Rakosi, Party Secretary, initiated the policy of June, 1953, with its emphasis on light industry and consumer goods production. Mr. Nagy accused Mr. Rakosi of "over-industrialising the country."

The Committee's statement last night said that due to "an increased danger from the right" the economic forces of the country had not increased living standards, and did not rest on a solid foundation.

Observers here agreed that the Premier would be deposed, but only differed on which method would be adopted. Some thought he would face trial while others believed he would be allowed to fade from the political scene without fuss.

Owner of 'Al Misri' Becomes Iraqi

BAGHDAD, Wednesday (Reuter). — The former Egyptian Senator, Mahmoud Abdul Fatah, was granted Iraqi nationality and issued with an Iraqi passport today.

Fatah, owner and editor of the Egyptian newspaper "Al Misri" was deprived of his nationality more than a year ago by the present Egyptian regime. It also confiscated all his property estimated to be worth more than £500,000.

CHURCHILL TO SPEND EASTER IN SICILY

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). — Sir Winston Churchill will spend Easter in Sicily — his first vacation in 18 months — it was announced today.

The Premier, who turned 80 last November, has been plagued by a bad cold for the past few days. Today he attended a first Cabinet meeting after cancelling yesterday's engagements.

The official announcement said Sir Winston's holiday would be "less than 10 days."

26 DIE IN MEXICAN PLANE CRASH

GUADALAJARA, Mexico, Wednesday (UP). — A twin-engined Mexican airliner with 26 persons aboard crashed and burned near here yesterday. There were no survivors.

HORE-BELISHA ARRIVES

LYDDA AIRPORT, Wednesday. — Lord Hore-Belisha, former British Cabinet Minister, arrived here by air last night for a short visit as guest of the Government. He was welcomed by representatives of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and the British Embassy. He is on his way home after a tour of the Far East. His previous visits to this country were in 1929 and in 1951.

Hore-Belisha

Lord Hore - Belisha, w a s received by President Ben-Zvi today and was entertained to tea by the Prime Minister and Mrs. Sharett. Tomorrow he will be the guest to lunch of the British Ambassador. He is staying at the Sharon Hotel in Herzlia.

Danish Minister Here

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Mr. Hugo Hergel, the first Danish Minister to Israel, arrived today in the s.s. Pace with Mrs. Hergel, to take up his post. They were met by Mr. M. Gilboa, Assistant Chief of Protocol, and Mr. A. Persitz, Danish Consul in Tel Aviv.

Mr. Hergel also represents his country in Turkey and resides in Ankara.

He is to present his credentials to President Ben-Zvi on March 17.

US Military Warn Of General Far East War

TOKYO, Wednesday (UP). — American military leaders in the Far East have warned Washington that a general war in Asia may be only weeks away, well-informed sources said today.

Such a war presumably would involve the use of atomic weapons by the U.S. against military targets.

This is the background of Secretary of State Dulles' warnings to China that aggression would bring U.S. and Allied retaliation from southern, central and northern fronts.

American military and diplomatic officials here and in Taipeh have been calling for just such a clear warning to China. They said the warning was needed to head off a major war which might be started by a big-scale Communist attack on the Nationalist-held islands off the mainland. According to these sources, the greatest danger is that the Chinese might strike Matsu or Quemoy in the mistaken belief that the U.S. either would not intervene or would limit retaliation to the immediate mainland coastal area of the Chinese amphibious operation.

American and Nationalist intelligence, according to highly reliable sources, report that the Chinese have now moved enough aircraft, small boats, troops and supplies into the coastal areas opposite Quemoy and Matsu to plan a limited war against them early this spring.

Restraint Not Sign Of Weakness—Dulles

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles warned China last night that any new aggression would be punished, possibly with "new weapons." He spoke on a nation-wide broadcast about his Far Eastern tour a few hours after Sir Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, had appealed to all sides in the Far East to renounce the use of force.

Mr. Dulles said the U.S. had shown great restraint in the Far East. But nobody should be allowed to think that "our love of peace means peace at any price."

The emphasis of Mr. Dulles' speech was upon the dire military consequences for China if it precipitated general open, armed aggression, upon the deterrent threat to China from Allied military power in Korea, Formosa and South-East Asia, and upon the willingness of the U.S. to use its vast mobile strength if challenged.

In an apparent reference to the possible use of tactical atomic bombs if the Chinese precipitated general war, Mr. Dulles said, "The U.S. in particular has sea and air forces now equipped with new and powerful weapons of precision, which can utterly destroy military targets without endangering unrelated civilian centres."

Prepared to Stand Firm

"We must, if occasion offers, make it clear that we are prepared to stand firm and if necessary to meet hostile force with the greater force that we possess," Mr. Dulles said.

If the Chinese did decide on general war in Asia they would have to take into account U.S. treaties with Korea and Formosa and so would be confronted with "tasks at the south, centre, and north areas which would strain their inadequate means of transportation."

He hoped a cease-fire could be obtained but so far the efforts in this direction made by friendly nations "on their own responsibility" had not met with success.

Further aggression by the Chinese "would probably mean that they have decided on general war in Asia," he said, adding that they seemed determined to make a military challenge and to try to conquer Formosa.

Mr. Dulles said the Chinese could quickly engulf the whole area, but for the mutual security structure which had been erected. That structure, however, could not hold without American deterrent power and the willingness to pursue it.

Vietnam Rebel Leader Gives Up with Troops

SAIGON, Wednesday (UP). — An important rebel leader surrendered to Government troops today in a move that was seen as strengthening the hand of Premier Ngo Dinh Diem against the hostility of the powerful religious sects.

Col. Tu Day gave up with 800 troops in the region of Catho, 150 kms. south-west of here. He was one of the three principal lieutenants of Gen. Ba Cut, leader of the dissident Hoa Hao troops who had been one of the Governments fiercest opponents and who has apparently joined the united front of the sects against it.

Nationalists Reinforce Quemoy, Matsu Islands

TAIPEH, Wednesday (Reuter) — Nationalist China has reinforced the garrisons of Quemoy and Matsu Islands with about 10,000 troops evacuated recently from Tachen and Nanchi Islands, reliable Nationalist sources reported today.

Heavy guns and ammunition are being rushed to Matsu because the Nationalists believe the Chinese will make their first attacks on that island, at the mouth of the Min River, near Foochow.

The Ta Tao news agency, official organ of the Interior Ministry, said today that the Chinese were massing troops in Foochow, capital of Fukien Province. They were said to be requisitioning homes, schools and other buildings to billet the soldiers.

There were no reports of fighting in the Formosa Strait area today. Nationalist air and naval forces limited their activities to patrols.

China Warns US Not To Interfere with Tanker

TOKYO, Wednesday (UP). — China warned the U.S. today that it will have to bear the full responsibility if it dares to back any attempt to intercept the Finnish tanker Aruba which is headed for the Far East with a cargo of jet fuel.

Peking Radio broadcast a sharp reply to U.S. diplomatic action over the voyage of the 10,000-ton tanker to China. The radio admitted that the cargo is Chinese property, but attacked any U.S. attempts at interception as "piracy."

Burma Takes Chinese Nationalist Stronghold

RANGOON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Burmese forces have captured a Chinese Nationalist stronghold at Woi Tung on the Burma-Thailand border, after a six-hour battle.

Burmese troops, advancing over jungle-covered mountains, fought about 500 guerillas — remnants of forces which retreated from China under Gen. Li Mi in 1949.

IRAQ BACKS JORDAN ON UNRWA SHIFT

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP).—Iraq today associated herself with Jordan's request that the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for the Arab Refugees move its headquarters from Beirut to the Old City.

The Iraqi Charge d'Affaires, Hashim Khalil, called on Mr. George Allen, Assistant Secretary of State, and asked that the U.S. give its support to such a move.

Burns to Hear Gaza MAC Appeal Tomorrow

Two Israel appeals against the Mixed Commission's decisions regarding the Gaza clash will be heard by the Special Appeals Committee tomorrow, with Major General E.L.M. Burns, Chief of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, in the chair. The text of the Israel appeal was submitted to U.N. Headquarters in Jerusalem yesterday.

General Burns expects to leave for New York at the beginning of next week, the U.N. spokesman said yesterday, to participate in the Security Council discussions.

Israel has appealed both against the resolution condemning Israel and against the non-adoption of the Israel resolution submitted at the same meeting of the MAC on Sunday. The appeal deals with the following points:

- use in the resolution of the terms "brutal aggression" and "huge amount of explosive charges" (with reference to 120 kg. of explosives);
- Fixing the number of casualties not in accordance with the number actually seen by the MAC investigation team;
- description of the incident in the condemnatory clause of the resolution in terms which do not appear in the findings of the operative part of the resolution; and
- the correctness of linking the serious situation prevailing for a long time along the Gaza Strip with this clash.

The second appeal questioned whether it was correct for the MAC not to have noted the Israel casualties while having taken note of the Egyptian casualties in the same incident; and also whether the non-adoption of the renewed call upon "the Egyptian authorities to put an immediate end to such aggressive actions" can be interpreted as a change in the MAC attitude as expressed in repeated decisions, which "noted with grave concern the serious situation prevailing along the Gaza Strip as a result of recurring Egyptian aggressive acts" and which "called upon Egypt to terminated finally and immediately all such acts of aggression and hostility against Israel and to implement fully the General Armistice Agreement."

Commenting on Israel's appeal, political circles recalled that in the Bat Galim case, the Chief of Staff, in hearing the appeal, decided to eliminate that part of the resolution which condemned Egypt. It is hoped that in this case too, recognition will be given to the questions of principle which have been raised.

HOSKINS TO HEAD U.S. FOREIGN SERVICE BODY

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — The State Department announced yesterday the appointment of a leading supporter of the Arab position on the Palestine issue as Director of the U.S. Foreign Service Institute. He is Mr. Harold B. Hoskins, President of the Board of the American University of Beirut, whose most recent State Department assignment was consultant to the Assistant Secretary of Sate for Near Eastern Affairs.

US Mid-East Reappraisal Not to Mean Policy Shift

No Decision Yet on Initiative

WASHINGTON Wednesday (UP). — The State Department is trying to determine whether the time has come to take some new steps to allay Arab-Israel strife, responsible American sources said today. But the steps being considered fall within the framework of current U.S. policy in the Middle East and would not mean a basic policy change.

The sources were replying to inquiries as to the significance of a remark made by Mr. George Allen, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, in the course of a talk before the American Jewish conference here on Saturday.

Mr. Allen said U.S. policy in the Middle East is being re-examined. American officials explained today that the re-examination he referred to is the same one that has been reported on from time to time in the course of recent months.

It has to do with an unhappy awareness on the part of Mr. Dulles and the British Foreign Secretary, Sir Anthony Eden, that the years go by without any real lessening of Arab-Israel tension, informed sources said, and with the question of whether the U.S. and Britain should make another earnest attempt at this time to get the Arabs and Israelis to try to reconcile some of their differences.

There have been suggestions in the past that the tripartite statement of 1950, in which the U.S., Britain and France promised in a general way to prevent renewed hostilities in the area, should be restated in more specific form. These suggestions may have come up for renewed study.

Moreover Israel's complaints that it is being "isolated" diplomatically by being left out of current Middle East regional defence projects, are reported to be receiving sympathetic consideration. However, in relation to that, American officials are said to feel that Israel's actions, such as the Gaza attack, make it more difficult for the U.S. to do anything helpful for Israel.

Informed American sources do not expect anything dramatic to come out of the current reappraisal. Any change that comes of it is expected to be felt in the realm of strategy and timing rather than in policy.

There is speculation as to whether the U.S. will heed Israel's requests for a security pact with Washington and for U.S. military aid. Informed sources are of the opinion that the U.S. is still unwilling to enter into such arrangements until there is some improvement in the "political climate" in the Middle East.

Israel Envoy Confers At Quai d'Orsay

By MAURICE CARR,
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS, Wednesday. — The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Jacob Tsur, and Mr. S. Ben Dor today conferred with M. Rene Massigli, Secretary-General of the Foreign Ministry. They spoke with him for three-quarters of an hour.

France is reconciled to the Turco-Iraqi pact after assurances that Syrian and Lebanese independence will be respected. Contacts described by a Foreign Ministry spokesman as "permanent, confident and amicable" are maintained with the U.S., Britain and others in order to achieve a Middle East defensive system upholding the regional equilibrium of forces and enjoying unanimous agreement.

Asked if the term "unanimous" includes Israel, the spokesman said that this would be "ideal," adding that agreement did not mean participation in the defensive system. Pressed to say whether the term "unanimous" is relative or absolute, the spokesman advised questioners to look up the dictionary definition.

He indicated that France may favour other countries joining the Turco-Iraqi pact, but said it would be premature to speculate on France's eventual adherence.

France's conversion in favour of the pact after talks with London and her demarche to Washington is measurable by the Quai d'Orsay's declaration that France is apprehensive of the Egyptian-Syrian-Saudi Arabian treaty which is aimed against the Turco-Iraqi alliance.

Police Intensify Casablanca Patrols

CASABLANCA, Wednesday —Police have intensified their patrols in the city since the outbreak of terrorism was renewed last week.

A small bomb exploded under a Moroccan butcher's parked car in the European quarter here last night. It caused only slight damage. An unexploded grenade was found in a public lavatory in the Boussir Moroccan quarter here.

In Algeria, the Assises Court of Tizi Ouzou has sentenced two Algerians to 20 years hard labour each for setting fire to a tobacco store in a military camp last October.

FEZZAN TALKS HELD

TRIPOLI, Wednesday (Reuter) —Prime Minister Mustafa ben Halim today met the French Minister, M. Jacques Purature, for talks on the presence of French forces in the Fezzan area of Libya.

The Government press director quoted him as saying, "Our talks were aimed at strengthening the relations between France and Libya. The atmosphere has been very optimistic for good results."

Lebanon 'Neutral' In Egypt-Iraq Quarrel

The Lebanon's refusal to join the Cairo-inspired alliance between Egypt, Syria, and Saudi Arabia resulted from the decision last month of the Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee to observe "complete neutrality" in the present inter-Arab rift.

This was announced yesterday by the Lebanese Foreign Minister, Alfred Naccache, in a press conference in Beirut. He added that his Government conditions its attendance at any future meeting of Arab leaders on Iraqi participation.

Meanwhile, Dr. Charles Malik, Lebanese Ambassador to the U.S. and chief U.N. delegate, now in Beirut, said yesterday that the present split in the Arab camp has caused serious harm to Arab prestige at the U.N.

Fadhel Jamali, former Iraqi Prime Minister, is expected in Beirut today on an official mission to explain the Turco-Iraqi defence treaty to President Camille Chamoun. Jamali represented Iraq at the Cairo Arab League Premiers' conference on the pact.

The Syrian Foreign Minister, Khaled el Azem, will visit Baghdad on Saturday, it was learned in Beirut yesterday. He will go alone.

Appointment of an overall commander in chief of the armies of the new Arab tripartite pact is expected soon. His headquarters will be in Damascus.

Arab reports from Cairo and Lebanon said that the U.S. and Britain have both expressed to Syria disapproval of her agreement with Egypt for a new Arab security pact. An American memorandum to Damascus reportedly called for Arab League activities to be restricted to the cultural and social fields. The note according to Cairo newspapers quoting "a high source," said the U.S. Government believed the Arab League in its present position was too weak to undertake the responsibility for Middle East defence.

The British advised Damascus it would be more advantageous to join the Turco-Iraqi pact which provides a more effective guarantee for Middle East security than the new Arab alliance.

From Damascus it was reported that the delegation, headed by Foreign Minister Khaled el Azem, which was due to leave today for Baghdad on its mission of making a final effort to draw Iraq into the Arab fold, will leave early next week.

A Beirut report made fun yesterday of the statement in Damacus by Gen. Shawkat Shukeir, Syrian Chief of Staff, that the new pact "is the best guarantee against Israel aggression." It wondered how this "aggression" would come about in view of the fact that one of the signatories has no common frontier with Israel. *(AM, WEABB, Reuter)*

British Bombers To Visit Cairo

NICOSIA Wednesday (Reuter). —Four Canberra bombers will visit Cairo on Saturday at the invitation of the Egyptian authorities, Royal Air Force Middle East Headquarters announced here today.

The Canberras, which have gone to the Canal Zone for four days, will land at Almaza military airfield in Cairo and stay there for several hours, flying back to their temporary base here on the same day.

Bus Accidents Take 59 Lives in Korea

SEOUL, Wednesday (UP). — Two bus accidents yesterday and today claimed the lives of 59 persons, with 20 injured, police reported.

Yesterday a packed bus overturned and burst into flames near Hongchon, 80 kms. east of here, killing 21 and injuring 13. Another crowded bus hurtled over a bridge near Suwon, 27 kms. south of Seoul, and 38 persons were killed, and 14 others injured.

Four recent transport accidents in South Korea have taken 150 lives.

SERGEANT KILLED IN ROAD CRASH

RAMLE, Wednesday. — Samal-Rishon Nissim Babila, of the Defence Forces, was killed yesterday in a collision between the Army vehicle in which he was travelling and a civilian truck on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road.

The drivers of both vehicles were detained for investigation.

JOSEPHTHAL OFF FOR NORTH AFRICA, U.S.

LYDDA AIRPORT, Wednesday. — Dr. Giora Josephthal, Jewish Agency Treasurer, left by air today for North Africa, via Paris. He will be joined by the Director General of the Joint, Mr. Beckelman, and by Mr. Laor, Jewish Agency representative in Europe.

Following an eight-day visit to Morocco, the Agency Treasurer is to proceede to the U.S. for a four-week visit on behalf of the U.J.A. *(Ifim)*

Israel Seeking Broad Discussion at UN

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (INA). — Israel is making every effort to broaden the scope of the U.N. Security Council discussion on the Gaza incident to embrace the overall situation along the armistice lines. There is lively activity here behind the scenes as the Council awaits the arrival of General E.L.M. Burns, Chief of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, who is bringing a personal report on the Gaza clash last week. *(See Col. 5)*

The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban, yesterday conferred with Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain, M. Henry Hoppenot of France and Mr. Selim Sarper, the Turkish President of the Security Council. France and Britain are the most important for Israel as major partners in the West's Big Three coalition. Mr. Eban will talk to other members of the Council later this week and will attempt to obtain at least some concessions from all of the Big Three, especially Britain and the U.S.

Mr. Eban was understood to have pointed out to those Council members with whom he had spoken that Israel's counter-complaint, now on the agenda as the second item after Egypt's Gaza complaint, spells out Egypt's responsibility for the gravity of border conflicts.

U.S. Protests Cairo Press Campaign

CAIRO Wednesday (Reuter)— The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Henry Byroade, called on Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzy tonight.

It was understood that the Ambassador made representations against the Egyptian press, which today accused the U.S. of trying to wreck the Arab League and foiling the efforts of the Arab countries to bolster up their military power to ensure their own defence.

The U.S. was also accused of forcing the Arab countries to conclude a peace treaty with Israel.

Libya Protests to U.N. Over Gaza Clash

TRIPOLI, Wednesday (UP). — The Parliament today protested to the U.N. Security Council against the Egyptian-Israel clash in the Gaza Strip. It also cabled the Egyptian Premier, Abdul Nasser, expressing sympathy with Egypt and the Arab world.

The message also offered to support Egypt in any action the latter sees necessary against Israel.

King Idris el Senussi will make an official visit to Egypt toward the end of this month.

Israel Pictured as 'Bad Boy' By Britain's Foreign Office

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM

LONDON, Wednesday. — Judging from the tone adopted by the Foreign Office and some diplomatic correspondents since the Gaza clash, someone in authority has decided that Israel must be represented the bad boy of the Middle East. The manner in which the story has been played up in certain newspapers, the prominence given to it on the B.B.C. news bulletin, and the inspired comments stating that Whitehall has been "shocked" or "disturbed" by such clear evidence of Israel wickedness and aggressiveness — all point in the same direction.

The cognoscenti, who recall what happened here in 1947-48, had their first impressions confirmed by the sepulchral tone of the B.B.C. announcer in reporting the evacuation of U.N. observers' families from the Gaza area. To the ordinary person not conversant with the facts, the B.B.C.'s manner of reporting this incident must have conveyed the impression that the wives and children of these U.N. officials stood in imminent danger of being murdered by the Israelis.

The purpose of this little exercise in political warfare, "raise up and knock down" as the old diplomacy might put it, is far from obscure. Israel's chief trump lies in the support of public opinion, and to the public "peace" is a magic word. Anyone who "threatens peace" is by definition an outcast. The official propaganda-mongers knew what they were doing when they displayed shocked disappointment over the fact that Israel apparently was not "working for peace in the Middle East."

The orchestra of disapproval over the weekend in fact turned on two different themes: the Gaza raid had been authorised by the Israel Government; Israel consequently was "not working for peace." To an expert the connection between these two arguments might seem slight, even non-existent. But the ordinary person is not an expert, and cannot be expected to perceive the non sequitur.

This is especially true of the average Labour Party M.P. or supporter and it must be borne in mind that most of this propaganda is aimed by the Foreign Office at the Labour Party — at least in the first instance. Israel can be successfully smeared, the job becomes less difficult.

In 1947-49 the formula, it will be remembered, ran: "Jewish terrorism shows that the Jews have been infected by the Nazi spirit." Today the whole orchestration aimed at a pacifist public turns upon variations on the theme of "aggressiveness." It is useful to bear this in mind, for there will undoubtedly be a good deal more of it in the years to come.

Apart from this rehearsal for future full-dress propaganda campaigns against the bad boy, it cannot be said that the official and unofficial reaction to the clash has disclosed anything that could be dignified by the name of a policy. There are hints that Sir Anthony Eden has been personally hurt by what is pompously described as a serious setback to his well-advertised plans for bringing peace to the Middle East.

Only those under the spell of legend will take seriously this suggestion that, but for the Gaza episode, there would now be a good chance to persuade Egypt to make peace. It is characteristic that, until the moment when the the frontier blew up, no one here had heard of such possibilities. The whole thing reminds one of the Foreign Office's insistence in 1938 that only the unreasonable behaviour of Dr. Benes stood in the way of a truly magnanimous settlement of the Sudeten problem under Hitler's auspices.

By one of these coincidences which never fail to surprise, Mr. Richard Crossman chose last week to discover that Truman's "irresponsible pro-Jewish policy" in 1948 must share the blame with Bevin's "irresponsible anti-Jewish policy" for having created a problem which Mr. Crossman's friend Abdul Nasser is now powerless to solve.

By another odd coincidence the "Sunday Express" announces revelations from a forth-coming book on Wingate, which will show the latter in a very dubious light: prone to subordinate his duty to his feelings and altogether an undesirable character. The "Lawrence of the Jews," in fact, is due for a thorough overhaul. All in the space of one week.

France, Saar to Sign Economic Pact

PARIS, Wednesday (UP). — Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay told the Cabinet today that France and the contested Saar territory claimed by Germany will soon sign a new economic agreement to help push the ratification of German rearmament through the Senate.

The Cabinet met to map its strategy in driving through the Paris pacts just as the Senate Economic Affairs Committee voted a resolution approving them, 12 to three, with three abstentions. The Senate is scheduled to debate ratification on March 22.

M. Pinay appeared before the Cabinet today to deal with the most pressing threat to ratification — a flare-up between France and Germany over the Saar. He reported on the negotiations with the Saar to maintain France's economic position there. The talks entered their final phase today.

The French Cabinet today appointed a committee of three high civil servants to find out why many French citizens protest against paying taxes. The committee is to recommend remedies for this state of affairs by March 31.

West Blocking Arms Accord, Says 'Pravda'

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). — Russia announced today that "it has so far been impossible to reach agreement" on banning atomic weapons because of "stubborn resistance" by the West.

It was the first official report to be issued since the five-nation disarmament talks opened here last month. Today's meeting was the sixth session.

The Communist Party organ's editorial said the Soviets had "repeatedly" made proposals aimed at the unconditional ban of atomic weapons, "but the proposals are systematically rejected by the Governments of the U.S., Britain and other Western powers.

"I is for this reason precisely that it has so far been impossible to reach agreement on the question of banning atomic and other mass destruction stores."

"Pravda" declared that Russia wanted world disarmament to be supervised by "a control organ which would not have their right to interfere in the internal affairs of other countries."

"Such an organ would have the right to carry out inspections on a permanent basis in everything that is necessary to ensure the observance by all states of the agreement on the banning of weapons of mass destruction and the reduction of armaments," the article said.

The powers of an international control organ, and the timing of the ban on nuclear weapons, are the main points at issue in the current five-power talks.

Montor's Resignation Still Stands

News received in Jerusalem from New York would indicate that Mr. Henry Montor stands by his decision to withdraw from the sale of Bonds for the Israel Development Loan, and that the efforts of Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Finance Minister, to dissuade him from this course have borne no fruit.

Mr. Montor's resignation is expected to involve a number of his close associates who have formed the "Cabinet" and been the backbone of the Bond drives since their launching in May, 1951. These would include Mr. Rudolph Sonneborn, of New York, Chairman of the Organization; Mr. Julius Venesky, of Peoria, Illinois, Chairman of the Executive; Mr. Sam Rothberg, of New York and Peoria, who is perhaps the largest single Bonds purchaser and holder, and a number of other key-men up and down the country.

His view is that there is no conflict between orderly fund-raising on the philanthropic level and the continuous sales of Bonds as investment in Israel's development projects.

In view of this situation United Jewish Appeal quarters are understood to have intimated that if the relations between the two fund-raising bodies were satisfactorily adjusted, U.J.A. leaders would lend a hand with the sale of Bonds.

No successor to Mr. Montor seems to be in sight, assuming that Mr. Eshkol's mediation between the United Jewish Appeal and the Bond leaders have led to no agreement. The snag is that Mr. Montor and his associates do not feel free to accede to an arrangement which would halt the Bond selling machine for a large part of the year, while the Welfare Funds mop up their collections.

MEET YOUR FRIENDS AND TOURISTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD IN THE
Bar
of the
King David Hotel
JERUSALEM
★
Dancing Every Evening

Social & Personal

The Prime Minister and Mrs. Sharett entertained to lunch yesterday Mrs. Daniel Frisch, Mr. and Mrs. L. Frisch, Mr. and Mrs. Sigmund Braverman, Mr. Max Lapidoth and Mr. and Mrs. Shimshon Arad.

•

The British Ambassador and Mrs. J.W. Nicholls, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Day of the Embassy staff, yesterday visited the Weizmann Institute of Science and were received by heads of the scientific and administrative staffs, by whom they were entertained to luncheon.

•

The Jerusalem District Representative, Mr. S. B. Yeshaya, yesterday received the Netherlands' Minister, Mr. Gideon Boissevain. On Tuesday, Mr. Yeshaya received the Spanish Consul-General in Jerusalem, Mr. Pedro Lopez, and the Turkish Consul-General, Mr. Hakki Kentli.

•

ARRIVALS: Professor M. Evenari, Vice-President of the Hebrew University and dean of the Faculty of Natural Science, and Mrs. Evenari, from an eight-month stay in the U.S. and Europe on behalf of the University Building Appeal (by TWA); Mr. Meyer Steingiass, Public Relations Officer of the Israel Bond Organization in the U.S., from New York for a short stay; Mr. Henry Rose, U.J.A. leader of Greater New York, and Mrs. Rose, for a three-day visit; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lourie, of South Africa, staying at the Eden Hotel; Dr. William M. Schmidt, Medical Adviser to the American Joint Distribution Committee, for consultations with Malben on the question of care of chronic patients in Malben hospitals; Mr. E. Ilin, Director General of Kaiser Frazer Limited in Israel, from a prolonged tour of the company's markets in Europe (by Air France).

•

DEPARTURES: Mr. Robert Davis, U.S. Consul in Tel Aviv, for a prolonged home leave (by TWA); A group of 24 Jewish officers and men of the U.S. Army in Germany, for Wiesbaden, after attending the Purim festivities, by a special U.S. Army plane; Mr. S. Temkin, Director of the British Zionist Federation's Israel Office, for London, to attend the annual conference of the Federation there (by El Al).

•

A delegation of Manchester Zionists, headed by Councillor Samuel Davies, called at the Tel Aviv Municipality yesterday and were received by the Town Clerk, Mr. Y. Nedivi.

•

Fernando Trevigall, the Italian maestro, conducted the first of the eighth series of IPO subscription concerts at the Ohel Shem auditorium in Tel Aviv last night. The soloist was the violinist Gioconda de Vito.

•

The Mayor of Tel Aviv-Jaffa, Mr. Haim Levanon, will address the Rotary Club on "Youth Problems in the City" at the club's weekly luncheon to be held at the Z.O.A. House in Tel Aviv today. The luncheon will be followed by a visit to educational institutions. A limited number of tickets for the Israel Folklore Evening to be held at the Municipal Museum tonight, will be available at the luncheon

Rabbi Meir Karelitz, 85

BNEI BRAK, Wednesday. — The funeral took place here today of Yichron Meir Cemetery of Rabbi Meir Karelitz, 85, supreme moral authority of the Poalei Agudat Yisrael and brother of the late "Hazon Ish," who died last night. The deceased came to this country 20 years ago.

Mr. Benjamin Mintz, M.K., and Dr. Kalman Kahana, M.K., eulogised Rabbi Karelitz at a meeting of the Pagi Party executive here today.

Abraham Asadio, 74

LONDON, Wednesday (INA).— Mr. Abraham Asadio, for many years Treasurer of the World Zionist Organization, died here this morning at the age of 74 years. He had retired to Palestine before World War II and came here two years ago for disposal of his private library, intending to return to Israel later this year.

Lloyds Recommends Rebuilding 280 Ships

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Lloyds Register of Shipping, surveyors of nearly half the world's merchant fleets, have recommended structural modification in 280 vessels because of the risk of breaking up at sea.

The register's annual report for 1954, discussing this said "a comprehensive investigation was undertaken into those existing classed dry cargo ships which in the light of recent experience might be deemed subject to the risk of failure under adverse weather conditions. Over 2,700 cases were examined and the committee have considered it necessary to recommend some structural modification in about 280 ships."

Dina Resigns Job

Princess Dina, the future bride of King Hussein of Jordan, has submitted her resignation to the authorities of Cairo University, where she lectures on English literature.

The Arab News Agency yesterday reported that she will proceed with her mother to Beirut for stay of indefinite length.

If it's a piano or violin you wish to sell or purchase, our "Musical Instruments" corner in the Classified Column gives you the best chance.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post March 10, 1955

In the Supreme Court Sitting As Court of Civil Appeal

Before the President (Justice Olshan), Justices Agranat and Sussman.

Dr. M. Ilberg, Appellant, v. The Director of Land Betterment Tax, Respondent. (C.A. 125/52).

Commencement of Heir's Ownership

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a decision of the Appeals Committee on Land Betterment Tax, delivered on May 27, 1952.

Herman Ilberg died in April, 1945, and in January, 1947, the Tel Aviv District Court appointed Dr. M. Ilberg, the appellant, as administrator of the estate. In November, 1948, Dr. Ilberg, in his capacity as administrator, had a certain plot of land in Ramat Gan registered in his name and in 1950 he sold this plot. The question then arose as to when the property was acquired for Land Betterment Tax purposes, the rate of taxation depending upon the period of time between the acquisition of property and the disposal thereof.

Dr. Ilberg maintained that he must be regarded as having acquired the property in 1945, on the death of the deceased, whereas the assessment officer held that he had acquired the land in November, 1948, when it was registered in his name, or at the very earliest in January, 1947, when he was appointed administrator, this date being the earliest at which he was entitled to demand registration in his name, within the provisions of section 1 (c) of the Land Betterment Tax Law, 1949 (hereinafter called "the Law"). This section states that the day on which property shall be regarded as having been acquired by the seller is the day on which the property was registered in his name, or that day on which the seller was first entitled to demand that the property be registered in his name, whichever is the earlier.

The Appeals Committee dismissed Dr. Ilberg's claim.

Mr. M. Schaerf appeared for the appellant, the State Attorney, Mr. C. Gluckman, and Mr. Orenstein for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Sussman, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, dealt firstly with Mr. Schaerf's argument that an administrator merely acts in a supervisory and administrative capacity and held that the administrator of an estate acquired legal ownership of the estate, the heirs being entitled only to the residue after the estate had been wound up. He pointed out, however, that this question was of no importance in the present case since Mr. Gluckman had agreed to disregard the appointment of an administrator and to argue his case as if the property had been acquired directly by the heirs.

Justice Sussman then turned to Mr. Gluckman's argument. After an analysis of C.A. 120/52, (P.D. 7/141), the day on which an heir acquired ownership in property was the day on which the court made a Declaration of Succession, which in the present case, was equivalent to the day on which the administrator had been appointed. After an analysis of C.A. 120/52, Justice Sussman pointed out that the State Attorney had inadvertently been misled by an example given in that case where it had been held that a succession order was merely a formal declaration of material rights which came into existence on the day of the deceased's death — a decision which was reaffirmed in C.A. 62/50 (Psakim 13/284).

Mr. Gluckman's argument that an heir who had not received a declaration of succession from the courts was not entitled to demand from the Registrar that the property be registered in his name, was dismissed on several grounds, notably because a declaration of succession did not automatically entitle the heir to demand registration of the property in his name since various other formalities had to be complied with and because the interpretation submitted by the respondent would enable heirs to use various devices in order to evade paying Land Betterment Tax. A correct interpretation of the law and the intention of the legislator led to the conclusion that the property came under the legal ownership of the heirs on the death of Hermann Ilberg in 1945. Justice Sussman added that if he had had to consider the position of the administrator he would have arrived at the same conclusion.

Precedent Explained

Justice Agranat felt it incumbent upon himself to explain how the State Attorney had been misled by his (Justice Agranat's) judgment in C.A. 120/52, pointing out that the main principle laid down there was that the "day of acquisition," according to section 1 (c), was the day on which the legal, as opposed to the equitable, rights in the property were acquired. In the case under consideration, which was a classic example of the problem raised by the two alternative methods for fixing the day of acquisition proffered by section 1 (c), the administrator had acquired the right to demand registration in his name when he was appointed in 1947, whereas the registration was actually made in 1948. On the other hand, when an administrator is appointed, he becomes legal holder of the title with effect from the date of the death of the owner.

Appeal allowed with costs.

Judgment given on February 24, 1955.

Limassol Area Being Readied for U.K. Army

By IRIS K. RUSSELL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NICOSIA, Wednesday. — A military spokesman here today confirmed reports that a disused army camp at Zygi, near Limassol, is being reactivated. The same spokesman also said that some 450 men of the Royal Engineers now serving in the Suez Canal Zone would shortly be transferred to Zygi.

Zygi is some 33 kilometres from Episcopi, where Britain's Middle East Forces joint headquarters, recently transferred from the Canal Zone, will be housed when its cantonment is ready early in 1956.

Earliest Wall Of Jericho Found

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — A team of British and American archaeologists in Jordan has reached the earliest known town wall of Jericho buried 15 metres beneath the debris of at least 7,000 or 8,000 years of history, a report in "The New York Times" said today.

Referring to the Bible account of the walls of Jericho falling at the sound of Joshua's trumpet, the report said that the walls of the city had fallen and had been rebuilt 23 times before that occasion.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ **Lectures:—**
Dr. J. L. Walsh, Professor of Mathematics, Harvard: "Development and Activities of American Association for the Advancement of Science." Auspices Assoc. for Advancement of Science in Israel; Rattlebone, Hall 71, 5.15 p.m.

★ **Exhibitions:—**
"Conquest of the Desert" permanent exhibition at the former Israel pavilion of the International "Conquest of the Desert" Exhibition 10-1, 4-6 p.m.

Department of Antiquities, special exhibition: Excavations of a Cana'anite Temple on the seashore of Nahariya (XVIIIth-XVth centuries B.C.E.) 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1.

Oil Paintings and Pen Drawings by Yosl Bergner. Exhibition of Paintings of the 17th century from the Museum's collection. Exhibit of the Month: Glass Vessel mounted in gold, 1st-3rd centuries A.D.; gift of Mr. Jack Linsky, New York. Also Arts and Crafts Exhibition in memory of Mr. Y. Elath. Bezalel Museum. 9-1, 3-5.

Exhibition of Oils and Drawings by Shlomo Van Den Berg and Sculptures by David Palombo, "Nora Studio" Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Avenue. 10-1, 3-5.

★ **Film Show: —**
Keren Hayesod, for tourists and visitors, 11:30 a.m.

★ **Tours:—**
Hebrew University conducted tour new Administration Building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.

★ **Library:—**
American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate Mamilla Rd. Entrance free, 9-1, 3-6.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions:—**
1) Abstract and Surrealist Paintings, 2) Nahum Gutman, recent works, 3) Hiroshige colour woodcuts (Collection Dr. McGrail). Open daily 10-4, Fridays, Saturdays 10-1, Sundays 4-10 p.m. Tel Aviv Museum.

★ **Theatre: —**
Habimah, "A Tale of Three and Four", 3.30 p.m. (Tmuva Workers), and 8 p.m. Habimah. Chamber Theatre, "Pantomime", Mograbi Hall, 8 p.m.

Chamber Theatre, Shakespeare's "As You Like It." Chamber Theatre Hall, 8 p.m.

Do-Re-Mi, "Rose from Istanbul," Beit Ha'am Hall, 9 p.m.

HAIFA

★ **Theatre: —**
Chamber Theatre, "Casablan", Arnon, 9 p.m.

KFAR ATA

★ **Theatre:—**
Yiddishe Komedie Theater, "Dos Meidel fun Mine Herz" — L. Libgold, L. Liliane. 8.30 p.m.

NATANYA

★ **Theatre:—**
Habimah, "The Tea House", 8 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

★ **Zitatron:—**
"Cocktail 1955" Revue and the Olga Bial Paris Ballet. Premiere. Zitatron, 4 and 8.30 p.m.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
331, 249 41.6 & 53.5 M.

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 4.00, 6.15, 9.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 7.45 Oriental Music (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. Programme for Factory Workers (Haifa). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (R). 1.15 Opera (R). 3.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. This and That. 4.30 Light Music (T.A.) 4.50 Where to Go (Jerusalem). 5.00 Musical Miniatures. 5.15 Child's Corner. 5.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 Concert Hall: Concerto for Piano, Violin, Flute & Orchestra (Bach); Symphony No. 1 (Wohl). 9.00 Malben's 5th anniversary. 9.20 Bible Reading. 9.45 The Knesset and its Committees. 9.55 Piano Recital: Yehudith Ochse-Fish. 9.45 Variety Programme. 10.30 Hol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger: Soloist: Batya Ostrovsky: Songs from "Beggars' Opera" (Weill). 10.45 Night Music (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
468, 407, 235, 208, 48.9 & 25.5 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 6.30 French. 7.00 Ladino. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Close Down. 8.45 Rumanian. 9.00 Hungarian. 9.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.9 M.): 11.15 p.m. News. Newsreel. 11.35 Flute Concerto (Avidom).

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.6, 216, 225 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Phantasy. 7.00 Songs. 7.20 Five Armies. 7.45 Quiz. 8.30 News. 8.45 Classical Requests Programme. 9.30 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (16.79, 19.42, 19.66 & 25.15 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News, News Talk: Week's Features.

A Breed of Planes

This group of Lockheed Super Constellations, headed by President Eisenhower's Columbine III (No. 1), shows how a billion-dollar family of aircraft grew from one plane, the original Constellation (No. 3). The world's fastest propeller-driven transport is the turbo-prop RzV—2 (No. 8). Old Mother Constellation (No. 3) first flown in 1943, originally was 95 feet long, weighed 72,000 pounds and flew 300 m.p.h. It was trisected and lengthened 21 feet to become the prototype of the "Super" type above, measuring up to 116 feet in length with weights up to 160,000 pounds, speeds of 440 m.p.h. and payloads double the original maximum. More powerful engines made such bonuses possible. The sister planes are: (2) a U.S. Navy-MATS R7V—1, personnel cargo-hospital plane; (3) the mother-plane, still flying as a laboratory test ship; (4) a Seaboard and Western trans-Atlantic cargo carrier; (5) an Avianca (Columbia) luxury airliner; (6) a U.S. Air Force RC-121D radar early warning plane; (7) a U.S. Navy WV-2 radar early warning plane; and (8) the fleet R7V—2 turbo-prop, forerunner of 440 m-p-h. transports for the Navy and Air Force.

Building Begins On IL1.5m. Mikva

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Work began this week on the first stage of a IL1.5m. ritual bathhouse in the Baka'a quarter of Jerusalem. The plans were drawn up by the firm of Rubin and Friedman and the funds allocated by the Municipality in cooperation with various religious institutions.

The first stage, which will cover 900 square metres of floor space, is scheduled to be finished within six months at a cost of IL300,000. It will include 38 bathtubs and 23 ritual pools (*mikvaot*). It will also include waiting and resting rooms, a hairdressing shop and a cosmetic shop. When completed, the entire structure will include two swimming pools, additional bathtubs and ritual pools and a restaurant, and will cater to more than 400 persons a day.

The Municipal Engineering Department began constructing 22 stalls for hawkers in the Meah Shearim quarter this week. The work, which will be finished within three months, will cost IL15,000. The plans were drawn up by Dr. Yehuda Berger, head of the Engineering Department, who was also responsible for the plans of Beit HaHistadrut in Jerusalem.

Talk in London . . . . . Blows in Rome

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — British Members of Parliament talked through the night till dawn today — on the role of Britain's Army in the Hydrogen-bomb age.

The House of Commons sitting lasted over 14 hours, the longest of the year. Less than ten hours after they dispersed for breakfast, they were due to resume discussion, this time of the cotton industry.

Replying to the debate this morning, the Minister for War, Mr. Anthony Head, said that Britain has decided to equip its Army with American Corporal Mark II Atomic guided missiles.

ROME, Wednesday (Reuter).— Left- and Right-Wing Senators came to blows in the Upper House of Italy's Parliament today. The Senate President temporarily suspended the sitting which was discussing ratification of the Paris agreements.

The fist fight started when Communist Senator Emilio Sereni made a personal statement in reply to a charge made by a Christian Democrat Senator last Saturday.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM
At 3.30, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Hiawatha.
EDEN: Washington Story.
EDISON: Hans Christian Andersen. 2nd week. (At 3.30 and 6.30 only)
ORGIL: Them.
ORION: Three Coins in the Fountain.
ORNA: The Lawless Breed.
RON: So This Is Paris, 2nd week.
STUDIO: Mad Hearts and Coronets, 4th week.
TEL OR: Tarzan's Savage Fury.
ZION HALL: Tropic Zone.

TEL AVIV
At 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

ALLENBY: Verdi, 2nd week.
MOGRABI: How to Marry a Millionaire, 3rd week.
OPHIR: "La Grande Speranza."
ORION: City Lights, 4th week.
SHDEROT: The Damned Don't Cry.
TAMAR: The Captain's Paradise. Also continuous from 9.45 a.m. to 5.45 p.m.

HAIFA

GAL-OR: City Across the River. Matinees: Adventures of Casanova.
MORIAH: Small Town Girl. Matinees: Alice in Wonderland.
AMPHITHEATRE: The Robe, 2nd week.
ORION: So Big, 3rd week.

Expert Lauds Fish Culture in Israel

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (INA). — Israel has developed fish farming into a successful industry, using "revolutionary methods" to increase fish production, according to an expert who visited Israel under a Food and Agricultural Organization fellowship.

The report was made yesterday by Mr. W.H.L. Alsopp, fisheries officer of British Guiana, who has just returned from a tour of seven countries.

"In Israel," he said, "I saw what was for me the most intensive system of fish culture in the East." He said that he saw extensive fish culture operations in Thailand, Malaya and Indonesia, but that the system in Israel was the most highly mechanised. Everything there, he added, was "geared to the level of producing as much as you can from as limited an area as possible."

While in the West fish husbandry developed gradually, Israel's industry is a large-scale commercial enterprise, having developed to the extent that 62 per cent of the country's fish comes from fish ponds.

Mr. Alsopp said he was impressed by Israel's "fascinating" development of the industry by people "who had been complete strangers to the practice." He expressed confidence that the Israelis would greatly increase their food production through fish culture.

ACCIDENT. — Seventy persons were injured, one critically, when a Diesel train ran into a shunting goods train in thick fog near Hanover yesterday. A waiting room was turned into a first aid station.

NEW CLOSED
van with driver
ready for work.
Apply: 2856, P.O.B. 1125, Tel Aviv.

Faure Gets 93 Vote Majority on Rises

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter).— The French Government won approval last night by 342 votes to 244 for its civil service budget which included an additional 9,500m. francs for pay increases.

Premier Edgar Faure had said earlier that the vote involved the existence of the Government, but that he did not wish to ask for an official vote of confidence (which would have meant a day's delay in the vote).

The Socialists, Communists, some 40 Radicals and Near Radicals and some Conservatives voted against the Government.

The Government accepted an amendment to the bill that a general plan for the readjustment of salaries would be studied and laid before Parliament during the summer.

Despite the Government victory, Parliamentary circles feared that unrest would grow among the civil service unions and that strikes against low salaries might follow later in the year.

IKE DEFEATED ON FARM PRICES

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The House of Representatives Agriculture Committee yesterday ignored President Eisenhower's plea for a flexible farm programme and pushed through a bill fixing a higher rate for Government support of major crop prices.

Mr. Harold Cooley, Committee Chairman, said that a "non-partisan vote across party lines" resulted in a majority of 28 votes to 11 approving a bill requiring price supports for wheat, cotton, rice and maize at 90 per cent of parity.

Parity is a theoretical price at which a farm product would have a "fair" purchasing power.

Last year, the Eisenhower Administration put through laws under which major farm products were to be supported at between 82.5 and 90 per cent of parity and dairy products at 75 to 90 per cent. The bill approved by Agriculture Committee yesterday would bring the dairy minimum up to 80 per cent.

France to Start First Industrial Atom Pile

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter).— France's first industrial atomic pile will start work early next year, according to M. Pierre Taranger, head of the Marcoule Atomic Research Centre.

He said the pile, "G-1," would provide energy for a small power station which would produce 5,000 to 6,000 kilowatts an hour. A second pile, "G-2", which would be finished at the end of 1957, would produce energy on industrial scale, he said.

DONATE. — The visiting Egyptian Minister of State, Colonel Anwar Sada'at, said in Singapore yesterday that Egypt would contribute financially towards the All-Malaya Moslem College at Klang Selandor.

WANTED
CLERK (FEMALE)
with experience in Bookkeeping and typing. Thorough knowledge of English essential.
Apply in writing to: — "CLERK," P.O.B. 1144, Tel Aviv.

MAURICE HARMALIN
P.O.Box 1351, Tel Aviv, Tel. 3060
Formerly Sales & Export Manager of Tayra Israel Cosmetic Co. Ltd., Tel Aviv
20 years experience in the cosmetic trade. Will accept sole distribution of cosmetic and toilet preparations. Toilet articles: Bakelite, plastic, rubber and latex goods. Tooth, nail and cloth brushes. Pharmaceutical accessories. Will organize distribution in Israel and export on exclusive basis. Please contact.

steno-typist
Wanted first class steno-typist (female) GERMAN and ENGLISH for part time job for a few months. Please phone 71435, Tel Aviv.
ORLOGIN WATCH FACTORY LTD.
New Industrial Centre, Ramat Gan.

v. ROSSEM'S TOBACCO

O'Brien Equals Own Olympic Shot Record

HOUSTON, Wednesday (UP). — Parry O'Brien, world's only 6-foot-plus shot-putter, equalled his own 1953 Olympics record last night as a U.S. Pan-American team took an early lead over the Southwest's finest Collegiate talent in a warm-up to the "Little Olympics" in Mexico City.

O'Brien, who holds the world's record of 60 feet, 10 inches, tossed the 16-pound shot 57 feet, 1½ inches in the first of 14 track and field events before 8,000 spectators in clear, crisp 5-degree weather in a public school stadium.

Olympic record holder Jack Davis breezed to a 14-flat victory in the 120-yard high hurdles, second event of the night, and Jim Lea, NCAA and National AAU 440-yard champion, followed with a blazing 47-flat to win his specialty. Lou Jones, also of the Pan-American team, trailed with a 47.6 clocking.

Willie Williams, NCAA champion, and Dean Smith, of the University of Texas, fourth NCAA ranked last year, gave the Pan-American squad the first two places in the 100-yard dash in a fast 9.7 seconds.

The U.S. stars, including America's foremost miler, Wes Santee, of Kansas University, and National AAU mile champion Fred Dwyer are en route to Mexico City for the Pan-American Games beginning Saturday.

Negro Heads Eli Team

NEW HAVEN, Wednesday (UP). — Edward Robinson of Lynn, Massachusetts, yesterday was the second negro in Yale's history to head a major Eli team.

Robinson, standout basketball performer this season, was selected captain for 1955. The other negro honoured in this fashion at Yale was Levi Jackson, who led the Blue's 1949 football team.

SENATE PASSES G.I.'s SPORTS BILL

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). —The Senate yesterday passed a Bill authorizing personnel of the Armed Forces to participate in the second Pan-American Games, the seventh Olympic Winter Games and other international amateur sports competitions.

FURNISHED Two-Room Apartment
with all conveniences wanted for young couple no children, for period of six months.
Guarantee available.
Please write to: No. 3752, P.O.B. 681, Tel Aviv.

Luxurious 6-room flat
with all conveniences, in centre Jerusalem, property of the Development Authority
TO EXCHANGE
FOR 4-ROOM FLAT
in Talbieh or King George Avenue, also property of the Development Authority, or
TO LET
Please phone: 2620, Jerusalem from 1 to 2 p.m. daily.

Independent Earner!
Remember: the fourth advance payment of your Income tax falls due today, March 10, 1955!

Notice to the Public

IDEAS FOR NEW STAMPS

The Ministry of Posts reminds all residents and all organisations who wish to make suggestions for new stamp issues for the period between April 1, 1956 and March 31, 1957 (budget year 1956/57) that such suggestions must be received before March 15, 1955.

Any proposals made after that date can not be considered.

The proposals should be sent to the Director of the Philatelic Service, P.O.B. 27, Hakiryah, Tel Aviv.

The management of
TADMOR HOTEL
Herzlia-on-Sea wish to announce that the HOTEL and the "TOPAZ" Club will be closed today, Thursday March 10 and tomorrow, Friday, March 11, due to private parties.

WHY buy ready-made furniture ?

We manufacture to your taste, requirement and at lower prices.
● *OWN ARCHITECTS*
● *Own workshop*
Payment by instalments.
STUDIO GAMMA
Office: 18 REHOV HESS, Tel Aviv.

ATTENTION TOURISTS!
This Friday Evening at 6.30
"Oneg Shabbat" Dinner Party
with the attendance of Dr. S. Z. Kahane, (Director General of the Ministry for Religious Affairs).
Programme: Divrei Torah, Shabbat songs, etc.
SAVOY HOTEL, 5 Reh. Geulah, Tel Aviv, Tel. 4222

SIK'OR FILMS
presents from March 12, 1955 at the ORGIL and RON Cinemas, Jerusalem, and at the OPHIR Cinema, Tel Aviv, the Israeli feature film depicting the men and women who won Israel's Struggle for Independence.
"HILL 24 DOESN'T ANSWER"
Distributed by FORUM FILM

a story of love...
that will become one of the deepest emotional thrills of your lifetime!
Universal-International presents
JANE WYMAN
ROCK HUDSON
BARBARA RUSH
in
Magnificent Obsession
Technicolor
with AGNES MOOREHEAD
OTTO KRUGER · GREGG PALMER
Israel Premiere
Starting Saturday, March 12 at the
PEER CINEMA, HAIFA
This film will not be shown in Haifa and vicinity for one year.

DRINK MORE pure TNUVA MILK

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

Partly cloudy to fair.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Carmel	21	7	8	14
Tiberias	27	15	29	23
Haifa Port	11	13	26	21
Natanya	11	13	31	23
Tel Aviv Port	61	13	27	21
Tel Aviv Kirya	8	14	32	24
Lydda Airport	15	8	31	24
Jerusalem	16	12	22	17
Beersheba	7	13	29	23
Eilat	13	—	36	24

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

• • •

AN EXHIBITION of modern French paintings — the private collection of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Zacks of Canada—will be opened at the Bezalel Museum on Saturday evening by the Prime Minister.

• • •

A FIVE-MAN team of the Lowell Thomas film company, accompanied by Air Force officers and Israel journalists, made a three hour flight over Israel yesterday to take birds-eye view pictures of Nazareth, Acre, Lake Kinneret, Jerusalem, Ashkelon, Massada and Sdom for the Holy Land section of a cinerama film, "World Wonders."

• • •

A NEW twice a week round trip bus service to Eilat has been set up by Egged.

• • •

A 14-YEAR-OLD stowaway, Edmond Roth, who was taken off the s.s. Negbah when she docked in Haifa Port a month ago, ran away from the Messila school for delinquent children in Jerusalem, on February 24. Police announced yesterday. He had managed to reach an O.S.E. camp in Marseille from which he also ran away to stow away on the Negbah.

• • •

BURGLARS GOT away with 117 kilograms of fresh beef, 40 slaughtered chickens, and 42 live chickens from the Zukerkorn butcher shop in Kiryat Motzkin on Tuesday night.

• • •

12 SETTLERS of Sde Uziah were yesterday detained at the Gedera police station after a general brawl in the village caused by a family quarrel.

• • •

A SUBSTANCE, believed to be hashish, was confiscated by Jerusalem police yesterday when they were called to an apartment in the Geula quarter to end a fight between Zion Levi, 25, and his wife. Before the police arrived, Levi reportedly threw a kerosene lamp at his wife, missing her, but setting fire to several blankets and some furniture.

• • •

THE CITRUS and Canned Products Association has shipped about $87,000 worth of concentrated and pasteurized juices to Great Britain: some 10 tons of orange peel in brine to Hungary and 27 tons of orange oil to U.S.S.R.

• • •

THE TEL AVIV, Haifa and Ramat Gan offices of the National Insurance Institute will be open to the public until March 18 at the following hours: daily from 8 a.m.-12.30 p.m., 4 p.m.-6 p.m. and on Fridays from 8 a.m.-12 noon. This schedule is meant to enable the public to arrange accounts with the Institute within the stipulated time.

Typical Beginning Of Month, Say Bankers

Currency in circulation was IL175,029,870 at the close of business yesterday, a rise of IL9,491,290 over the previous week, the Bank of Israel announces. Foreign currency holdings increased by IL2,061,290, and Treasury bills by IL430,000.

The rise was said to be typical of the beginning of the month, with the need for cash to pay salaries. This was intensified by holiday spending.

The currency was backed by: gold in the International Monetary Fund, IL2,025,088; foreign currency holdings, IL49,774,784; land bills, IL77,270,000; and Treasury bills and Government obligations, IL45,960,000.

DOCTORATE FOR HUSSEIN

King Hussein of Jordan, now on a visit to Pakistan, yesterday received an honorary doctorate from the University of Peshawar, according to the Arab News Agency.

RATION NEWS

HAIFA: Chocolate for Diabetics: 2 bars, Hat Gimmel, Elite branches at 89 Derech Ha'atzmaut and 33 Rehov Hahalutz.

Histadrut Takes First Steps In Price Cutting Campaign

By ZVI HALMER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Prices are to be lowered in all Histadrut enterprises according to a decision taken by the management committee of Hevrat Ovdim, the Histadrut holding company which met here today. Preliminary suggestions of a sub-committee were reported by its chairman, Mr. N. Ben-Nathan, who explained that cutting of costs and prices would have to be done in stages. He said that a start had been made in that direction by Hamashbir Hamerkazi.

The management committee decided that the sub-committee should continue as a fact-finding unit to examine ways of decreasing costs in Histadrut enterprises and submit their recommendations to the executive.

Mr. Ben-Nathan declared that each Histadrut enterprise would have to be dealt with according to its own particular circumstances and price lowering would not be achieved by "just giving orders without preparing the ground." He said it was not only a matter of cutting of costs at source, but of ensuring that the reductions were reproduced all the way down the line from the producer or importer to the housewife.

Cuts were suggested by the committee on import duties, port expenses and transport and it was decided to intensify the fight against cartels. The Government is to be asked to increase State-controlled imports at the expense of private importers, reversing the present trend, as one way of decreasing the cost at source of many commodities. The decrease or cancellation of import duties might be difficult for the Government, but it was felt that no great loss of income would ensue because expenditure in that department was sometimes greater than the income.

Transport Cuts Contested

The demand to cut transport costs was contested by representatives of Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam who felt that the members of transport cooperatives would suffer a drop in their standard of living if they had to cut costs. Mr. Z. Onn, the General Secretary of Hevrat Ovdim, replied that there was no intention of causing suffering to working drivers and revealed that there was much duplication of administrative and organizational machinery among the smaller cooperatives and this meant unnecessary expenditure.

Mr. Onn stated that the lowering of prices assumed a particular importance this year because the drought would adversely affect not only agriculture but the country's general economic position. Food for humans and animals would have to be imported and at the same time exports of certain agricultural produce would be decreased.

The drought, Mr. Onn added, was one of the worst recorded and in order to alleviate its bad effects, the national banks would have to make special concessions to agriculture. In addition to that Histadrut enterprises would have to extend considerable aid to each other.

Unemployed Raid Haifa Exchanges

HAIFA, Wednesday. — About 250 unemployed men forced their way into the labour exchange in Rehov Yavneh here at 6 o'clock this evening and smashed the furnishings, telephone and electric installations. The exchange officials managed to escape unhurt.

Later, the demonstrators went to the central exchange offices in Rehov Hehalutz where they again wreaked damage before police arrived and forced them out of the building. One of the men attempted to cut his veins with a razor blade.

Two men injured themselves on the arms and abdomen with razor blades. They were taken to hospital.

Histadrut Aid To Arab Villages

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Histadrut efforts to help these villagers of Tur'an and Mash'had near Nazareth were greatfully acknowledged by Mahmud Adwi and Mohammed Hassan Abdul Halim, the Mukhtars, and several of the village notables, when they called on the Histadrut Executive here today.

They were received by Mr. R. Barkatt, head of the Arab Department, who stated that the Histadrut will always extend aid to any constructive enterprise initiated by Arab citizens who cooperate with the Government and the Histadrut and who can assume both privileges and obligations.

It was Histadrut assistance which enabled the Ministry of Labour to construct roads to the two villages, toward which the inhabitants themselves contributed a large part.

Mayor Khoushy Comes Under Employees' Fire

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Serious criticism of the Town Hall Management was voiced at an extraordinary meeting of about 150 Mapai-affiliated Municipal employees here this evening.

Speakers charged that the Management used coercion, pressure and threatened employee representatives "who were not servile to Mayor Abba Khoushy."

Despite specific promises that new Committee elections would be held this month, the Mapai authorities, by various subterfuges, were allegedly attempting to delay them in order to prevent the election of "undesirable" representatives. It was charged that the Town Management had asked the former Secretariat members not to be candidates for the elections, in return for which they would not be discharged from work. The meeting decided to demand new committee elections within a week.

Kariv Types Notices To Block Opposition

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mayor Kariv yesterday called a regular meeting of the Jerusalem Municipal Council for tonight to discuss, among other things, the "situation created by the withdrawal of the General Zionists from the coalition." By not calling a "special meeting" which is required to consider a motion of non-confidence, the Mayor has blocked the chance of his being legally deprived of office this evening by the opposition.

With the defection of the General Zionists, the coalition now has only six votes among the 21 Councillors.

The invitation to the meeting came as a complete surprise to all the Councillors. Notices must be sent at least one day prior to the meeting. In this case, they would have had to be sent on Tuesday since yesterday was a holiday and the Municipality was closed. However, Mr. Kariv called Mr. Ya'acov Marash, the Town Clerk, and together they opened up the Municipality and typed the invitations.

Temperature Soars in Tel Aviv, Light Frost in Jezreel Valley

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A vicious *sharav*, the third in two weeks, today gripped the parched country again longing for rain now that the main Purim celebrations are over. Once more the heat was most severe in the Tel Aviv area, where its arrival some 16 hours earlier would have done much to spoil the Adloyada parade.

The thermometer at the Kirya here shot up to 32.4°C by 2 p.m. today, compared with only 21.8°C yesterday at the same hour. At 6 a.m. yesterday the temperature was 8.3°C, thus rising by more than 27°C in 32 hours.

In the Jezreel Valley, several degrees of frost were recorded in some places early yesterday to add to the headaches of farmers desperately in need of rain to salvage at least a part of their crops. All over the country the night temperatures were very low, as they have been for several nights.

Another feature of today's *sharav* was that the lowest humidity in the country, eight per cent, was here, whereas this area normally has the highest humidity.

In Eilat, where drops of rain fell today, the maximum temperature was only 26°C, and in Jerusalem it was four degrees less.

With March a third gone, only Misgav Am, in the extreme north, has had more than a few millimetres of rainfall this month where 16.5 mm. have been recorded. The south is still rainless. Normal rainfall at the Kirya for the month's first 10 days is 18 mm.

Ben-Zvi Gets Birthday Gift from Finland

A Finnish dagger and a leather-bound album decorated with Finnish drawings have been presented to President Ben-Zvi on the occasion of his 70th birthday by the town of Lapua in Northern Finland. The gifts were brought to the Israel Charge d'Affaires in Helsinki by a priest of the town.

The album contains a greeting to the President written in Finnish and signed by dignitaries of the town and by 540 heads of local families. The greeting reads:

To His Excellency, the President of Israel, Itzhak Ben-Zvi, Jerusalem. We, the residents of Lapua, who have gathered together for an evening devoted to Israel, send to His Excellency our best greetings on the occasion of his 70th birthday.

"We have followed the new history of the country and the people dwelling in the Biblical land, which are as dear to us as the history of our own people, with joy and affection. In the development of your country we witness the great miracles which the Lord has wrought. May the Lord bless you and grant you continued strength to lead your people in your country."

Ben-Gurion, Dayan Inspect Troops

The Minister of Defence, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Moshe Dayan, and high Army officers yesterday toured armoured troops and parachute units, the Army spokesman announced.

The officials were present at a parachute unit ceremony "somewhere in Israel." The Chief of Staff took over the parade from the unit commander and made a short address.

The Minister of Defence then reviewed the ranks.

A visit to two of the soldiers wounded in the Gaza clash, and now at the Kaplan Hospital in Rehovot, was made yesterday by Mr. Ben-Gurion, Rav-Aluf Dayan, Mr. S. Peres, Director General of the Defence Ministry, Mr. Sholem Ash, the writer and Mr. Natan Alterman, the poet.

Spirited Parade Compensates For Lack of Splendour in J'lem

By LUCIEN O. MEYSELS, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Ahasuerus, King of Persia, the first foreign sovereign to visit Jerusalem since the establishment of the State, called on President Ben-Zvi and the two Chief Rabbis yesterday afternoon.

Tel Avivians Getting Back to Normal

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — After three days of hectic celebrations, culminating in the excitement of yesterday's Adloyada parade, and in the face of the new *sharav*, Tel Avivians were too tired today to indulge in much more revelry.

Cranes this morning hauled away the 200 kilogram loaded barrels that were used as anchors for the rope barriers during the processions and squads of cleaners from the Municipal Health Department cleared the streets of the of the tons of rubbish left in the wake of yesterday's parade.

More than 2,000 children and adults packed the grounds of the Ramat Aviv Hotel here today for the Purim party organized by the Committee for Polio Victims. It was estimated that at least IL2,000 was raised towards the Committee's project for equipping the kindergarten occupational therapy centre for young polio victims at the Assaf Harofe Government Hospital.

Among tonight's many fancy dress parties one of the brightest was that organized by Wizo at the Z.O.A. House, where a large crowd celebrated into the small hours. For most citizens, however, it was an early night.

Mr. M. Ichilev, Deputy Mayor of Tel Aviv, and Mrs. Ichilev accompanied by representatives of the Soldiers Welfare Committee, on Purim Eve visited sick soldiers of the Armoured Corps in hospitals and brought them holiday greetings and presents on behalf of the Municipality.

A children's fete organized at the Zoo today included the a magician and all his tricks. However, many children who could not see his tricks owing to the adults standing in their way, preferred to have a look at the animals.

'Genesis' Masque Wins

The Yehuda Hamaccabi Elementary School received the first prize for the collective masque describing the Book of Genesis. The second prize went to the children of Tachkemoni School in Rehovot, who were dressed in costumes depicting "From Serfdom to Freedom."

Mayor Haim Levanon visted children in the sick ward of the Municipal Hospital today and left sweets with them.

Mr. Levanon, addressing the annual Dizengoff gathering today, thanked the organizers and helpers of the Adloyada, who helped in continuing the Dizengoff tradition. The annual Dizengoff prize for Israel painters and sculptures was not awarded owing to differences between the Municipality and the Artists' Association.

Many doubts and technical difficulties beset the organizers of the Adloyada, the Mayor said: whether it was to be in the nature of a "carnival" or be satirical, and many other suggestions were discussed and thought over. "We decided, and I think correctly," said Mr. Levanon," to show the continuous and positive achievements of our country."

Certain important institutions did not participate, he remarked and though their reasons were understandable, their action was entirely unjustified. The Mayor lauded the population for its "wonderful behaviour" during the festivities and promised that the Adloyada "will continue every year, ever improved."

Of the quarrel with the artists, Mr. Levanon said that they were being "unreasonable" in their demands. The annual Dizengoff art prize was awarded by a three man jury, one each from the artists' organization the Museum and the Municipality. The artists demanded that the Municipality's representative be an artist. The Mayor declared that he hoped this issue would be brought to an harmonious conclusion.

Mr. E. Kolb, Curator of the Museum, closed the proceedings with a talk on the late Meir Dizengoff. The Tel Aviv String Quartet, led by Sasha Parness played at the opening of the ceremony.

The King — seven-year-old Yosef Shim'on, a new immigrant from Cochin — mounted on a chariot (by courtesy of Rahamim Mizrahi, fruit and vegetable dealer, Mahane Yehuda) — led a parade of about 120 children from various Youth Aliya institutions, representing Jerusalem's own brand of Shushan Purim, making up in spirit for its lack of splendour.

The procession, organized by Mr. Avieser Burstein, of the Talpiot Youth Aliya Institute, was preceded by a single float, supplied by the Mata Margarine factory, and a motley band of drummers.

This children's parade presented a true cross section of the country, ranging from Motza Indians to Talpiot Chinese. The "King," clinging to his shaky throne, was escorted by a platoon of "Napoleonic Archers" and lancers of uncertain origin.

Haman, leading Mordechai on a patient donkey, was particularly friendly towards the Press and held up the whole procession by posing for every cameraman on the way.

Crowds thickened as the parade progressed towards town. At the corner of Jaffa and King George Avenue, the police were hard pressed to keep the road open. Near the Eden cinema, a group of dissident Indians of the Rehov Agrippas tribe, opened a heavy pop-gun fusillade on the parade, but the marchers disdained to take notice.

Children Call on Kol

The children first called on Mr. Moshe Kol, head of the Youth Aliya Department, at the Jewish Agency compound and presented him with a message and a chocolate cake. The same cake was successively presented to Chief Rabbi Herzog, and finally came to rest at Beit Hanassi where the First Lady received the King and his entourage and treated them to orange juice and *ozmei hamas*. After the children had presented their Purim greetings, Mrs. Ben-Zvi invited them all to call on the President at Pessah.

On the way back, the children, minus the cake, called on the Sephardi Chief Rabbi, the Rev. Yitzhak Nissim.

Throughout the day, masquerading children made merry in the streets of the capital, although costumes were beginning to get somewhat faded. Merry little boys were shooting off their remaining ammunition before the town returns to normal and school today.

Large crowds attended a children's fancy dress competition at the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo yesterday morning. Most of the children dressed as animals, and the first prize went to a "donkey."

'Shabbes, Shabbes,' But, Yet Not 'Shabbes'

Only by firing twice into the air did Mr. Daniel Gerusi, 27, a Foreign Ministry driver, manage to shake off a group of young men who stopped his car and attacked him in the Geula quarter of Jerusalem on Tuesday night, shouting "Shabbes Shabbes." The gang managed to tear Mr. Gerusi's shirt before he fired. Residents told police that the men had been stopping cars and threatening their occupants all evening. *(Itim)*

Old Maps and Views
OF THE HOLY LAND
Sought-after collection pieces and outstandingly beautiful reproductions for everybody's home.
UNIVERSITAS BOOKSELLERS
7 Princess Mary Ave., Jerusalem

LATEST MODELS IN
FUR COATS
JACKETS and STOLAS
in wide choice at reasonable prices
ROSEN FURS
72 Allenby Rd., Tel. 5996
Tel Aviv.

Hotel Ophir
TIBERIAS
Tel. 116.
Near the Police Station
- The Modern Hotel
- Beautiful Surroundings
- View of Lake Kinneret and Mt. Hermon
- First Class Food
- The place for rest and recreation.

Cables in Brief

TAXES. — The Austrian Chancellor, Dr. Julius Raab, told the Nationalrat yesterday that the Cabinet had decided to abolish taxes on sugar, salt and matches. Taxes on sweetstuffs, vinegar, lamp oil, electric bulbs, and playing cards would also be removed, he added.

ARGENTINA —The first divorce in Argentine history was granted in Eva Peron yesterday under the divorce law, approved last December.

Defaulting Importers To Get 100% Fine

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Under a new regulation effective today, manufacturers who are issued licences to import goods designed for re-export, and who fail to export the finished product within a year after the arrival of the merchandise will be subject to a fine equal to the value of the imported goods, calculated at the rate of IL1.800 per dollar.

Up to now, the importer signed a promissory note, upon the issuance of the import licence, stating that if he failed to export the goods he would forfeit an amount equivalent to the value of the imported product. However, this was calculated at the IL1 per dollar rate.

Ministry of Commerce and Industry officials explained yesterday that this procedure involved prolonged correspondence with importers who failed to carry out their commitment.

Under the new plan, such importers will receive, upon the expiration of one year, a notice informing them that a fine has been imposed. Such notice will have the force of a demand for taxes.

It is understood that heretofore it was often worthwhile for an importer to pay the penalty, since he could still make a profit when paying IL2,800 a dollar — IL1,800 for the import and IL1 for the penalty.

APPLICATIONS FOR EXIT FROM RUMANIA

Applications to allow the emigration of relatives from Rumania should be made to the Interior Ministry of Rumania with copies for the Rumanian Legation in Tel Aviv and the Israel Legation in Budapest, the Committee for the Unification of Rumanian Families announces.

The copy to the Israel Legation will enable this country's representatives to prepare visas should passports be granted. To the best of the Committee's knowledge there is no danger in submitting such applications — on the contrary, there are grounds for hoping that they will bring positive results.

THE ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
Special Concert
Under the distinguished patronage of H.E. the Swiss Minister, Dr. F. Hegg —
"LE ROI DAVID"
by Arthur Honegger
First Performance in Israel
TEL AVIV, Saturday, March 26, at 8.30 p.m., Obel Shem Hall.
Soloists:
Anette Joel-Brun (Soprano)
Rema Samsonov (Mezzo-Soprano)
Erno Garai (Tenor)
Narrator:
Joseph Yadin
with Tel Aviv Chamber Choir (170 Singers)
Conductor: Eytan Lustig
Tickets: As from Sunday, March 13, at the Orchestra's office, 56 Allenby Rd., 11-2, 4-6.

Jordan Farmers Face Famine

Driven to despair by the continued drought in the Jordan valley south of Beisan and in Samaria, thousands of Jordanian villagers are engaged in the sale of their livestock in the market places of Nablus, Tulkarm, and Jenin in order to purchase food and water for their families.

Jordan newspapers yesterday reported that thousands of sheep are being sold following failure of the Government to institute relief measures for the stricken farmers. Loans are urgently needed by farmers to tide them over the present drought. "Falastin" yesterday said that such appeals for help and loans "have remained in the desk drawers in Amman offices."

It was reported that even if rain should fall, the winter crop yield would be only 25 per cent of normal. This would leave villagers in dire straits—with no fodder for their flocks and water cisterns half empty.

Merchants have embarked on a profiteering spree, it was said. Flour and fodder prices have risen to fantastic heights as tradespeople are hoarding stocks. Prices in some cases have soared 300 per cent. Money lenders are not prepared to advance loans to farmers even at high rates of interest for fear of a complete crop failure.

"A-Diffa," describing the situation as "most serious," said villagers are sometimes forced to carry pitchers of water for drinking purposes over several miles.

Trial of Stone Throwers Begins in Military Court

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The trial of 11 residents of Kafr Manda, Western Galilee, who are charged with obstructing police, opened here before a Military Court today. According to the prosecution, the accused prevented a police sergeant and five constables from carrying out their duty by throwing stones at them in the village on December 13, 1954.

The first witness, Mr. Uri Thon, of Tahal, submitted documents on the strength of which he started the survey and worked in the area by a special order of the Finance Minister. The witness and the police sergeant who also testified said that they had been forced to leave the village because the mob had stoned them. They returned later with police reinforcements. The trial was postponed *sine die*.

Tomorrow the trial of 26 other villagers on the same charge is due to open.

New French Envoys

PARIS, Wednesday (UP). — The Government today announced the appointment of new Ambassadors in Persia, Norway, and Egypt.

M. Jacques Emile Paris, 50, will be transferred from Syria to replace Ambassador Francois Coulet, in Teheran. In Oslo, M. Louis de Monicault will be replaced by M. Albert Ledoux. From Stockholm to Egypt will go M. Armand de Blanquet du Chayla.

Pollak Will Dispute Hearings Begin

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The hearing of an application by Mr. M. Ginsburg of London, to legalize the will of the late Michael Pollak, former owner of the Nesher Cement Works, was resumed here today before District Court Judge M. Elzaioni. The applicant is the deceased's nephew and the will, made in 1949, makes him the sole heir to the legacy which is valued at several million pounds sterling. The application is one of three filed by members of the Pollak family who are disputing the will.

The Pollak fortune was founded in Gorki, Russia, in 1895 from a petroleum business which was exchanged for Royal Dutch Shell shares in 1912.

Two Rival Applicants

The two rival applications will be heard after the present case is completed. They have been filed by Mr. L. Beilin, of New York, also a nephew of the deceased, who wants to be appointed an executor of the estate, and Mrs. Y. Pollak, a niece, who wants the legacy to be divided among the family without consideration of the disputed will. These two had instituted claims against Michael Pollak claiming that his fortune actually belonged to the whole family.

At previous hearings, witnesses for Mr. Ginzburg had testified that the deceased had been of sound mind when he made the will. The two counter-applicants claim that the deceased had not signed the will, was of unsound mind when it was made and had been under unfair duress from Mr. Ginsburg.

The latter claims that Mrs. Pollak had withdrawn her claim against the deceased in 1951, after she received $116,000 in settlement. Mr. Beilin's claim had been settled for $500,000.

The case is expected to continue until mid-May, with three hearings weekly. The Court has appointed Mr. Avraham Rutenberg, as temporary trustee of the estate until the claims are settled.

Port Worker Happy to Return

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — A Port worker who had emigrated to Brazil in 1953 was greeted by his former workmates this morning when he returned happy, but somewhat shamefaced, on the s.s. Pace. Mr. Haim Shmiegel, 30, his wife and two *sabra* children had "tried and failed" to find a better life outside Israel, and appeared very gratified by the friendly welcome given by their former friends.

Mr. Shmiegel said that he had come to Israel from Germany in 1948 and worked in the Port for four-and-a-half years. In 1953 he decided to go to Brazil which was then "attracting many Israelis." He paid his own fare to Germany and there HIAS bought the family tickets to Brazil.

The returnee had lived in Rio de Janeiro and later in Sao Paulo where he worked in a ladies underwear factory. He earned 4,000 proseros ($80) monthly and paid 2,500 in rent for a two-room flat. The apartment was "beautiful and modern but I couldn't afford it." Mr. Shmiegel had received help from the Joint on three occasions. He said that many Israel emigrants had been disappointed in Brazil and were clamouring for the Joint to return them here. Many of them lived on Joint donations. He had not liked the life in Brazil and "couldn't even live decently at all." His children had been especially heartbroken at having no one with whom to speak Hebrew or even Yiddish. Relatives in Paris had helped them to return here.

Mr. Shmiegel now wants to make a fresh start and hopes to go back to work at the Port. "I won't complain again," he promised.

MISAKO WINS ORIENT FLYWEIGHT CROWN

TOKYO, Wednesday (UP). — Meiji University student Hitoshi Misako outpunched Tanny Campo, of the Philippines, to deprive the Filipino of the Orient flyweight title tonight in a 12-round fight here. Twenty-one-year-old Misako sprung a surprise by winning a unanimous decision in a hard-fought, close battle. There were no knockdowns. The University student forced the fight all the way against the Filipino, who resorted mostly to countering with his left and right.

Macias 2-1 Favourite in Bantam "Title" Bout

SAN FRANCISCO, Wednesday (UP).—Raul Macias, the "Mighty Mouse," of Mexico, should be a 2-1 favourite when he steps into the ring with Thailand's Chamrern Songkitrat tonight for their 15-round bantamweight "title" bout.

Although the State of California has refused to recognize the battle as a title fight, the winner will receive the National Boxing Association's championship belt.

It is the first time two fighters from other countries have fought here in a title sanctioned battle; it will mark the first time a championship belt has been presented in the bay city; and it will be the first topline bantamweight fight to be nationally televised.

In deep sorrow I announce the death of my beloved husband
ADOLF DANIEL
The funeral will take place from 3 Rehov Yosef Hanassi, Tel Aviv, today, March 10, 1955 at 10 a.m.
LISA DANIEL

THE GEOPHYSICAL PROJECT AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT OF THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE, REHOVOT
express their sincere condolences to
Professor and Mrs. C. L. Pekeris
on the untimely death of their mother and mother-in-law,
TAMAR KAPLAN

Passover Holiday at Sea & in Greece
7 days enjoyment on board s/s "Artza" April 8-14 1955, and visits at Rhodes, Piraeus, Athens, Crete at reduced rates from IL200.- — IL200.-
Bookings by Sea & Air to all countries Arranging organised and individual tours.
Apply to: TILL CO. LTD.
TEL AVIV: 52 Rehov Nahlat Benjamin, Tel. 5487
HAIFA: 51 Derech Azmauth, Tel. 2012

Cargal Company
Manufacturers of corrugated cardboard & containers
As from March 11, our new telephone numbers are:
72156 - 72157
Tel Litvinski Road, P.O.B. 35, Bnei Brak.

Suliatan
The NEW scientific sole and heel
Kinder to your feet
Outwears leather 3 to 1
A Subsidiary of The Palestine Economic Corporation — U.S.A.

ZIM
ISRAEL NAVIGATION COMPANY LTD.
A VOYAGE TO GREECE
on board the Liner "Artza"
FROM APRIL 8 — 14, 1955
ON THE ROUTE
Haifa - Rhodes - Piraeus - Crete - Haifa.
For particulars please apply to your travel agency or to the General Agents
SHOHAM MARITIME SERVICES LTD.
Haifa Tel. 66551 | Tel Aviv Tel. 67887 | Jerusalem Tel. 5478

THE JERUSALEM POST

Founded as The Palestine Post in 1932. Published daily except on Saturday, in Jerusalem by The Palestine Post Limited. Registered at the G.P.O.

Founder and Editor
GERSHON AGRON

Managing Editor
TED. R. LURIE

Editorial Office and Management: JERUSALEM: 2 Rehov Hahavatselet, P.O.B. 81, Tel. 4333 (4 lines).
TEL AVIV Bureau: 32 Nahlat Binyamin P.O.B. 1133, Tel. 4351/2.
HAIFA Bureau: 1 Rehov Khayat P.O.B. 66, Tel. 4594 (3 lines).
SUBSCRIPTIONS: Inland IL.12.000. Foreign IL.24.000 per year.

Thursday, March 10, 1955
Adar 16, 5715. — Rajab 17, 1374

THE Adloyada is over. It was seen and enjoyed by half a million people in an unparalleled atmosphere of peaceful holiday-making, and if the carnival fell short of the ideal in some respects, then it must be remembered that the ideal is rare. A great deal of credit is due in a number of places for the mere fact that this giant undertaking took place at all, and that it passed off without a hitch. This credit must go first of all to the Tel Aviv Municipality itself, which had the initiative and courage to revive a carnival that had been a relatively simple matter in the days when the entire Yishuv was not as large as the crowd that on Tuesday packed a city whose main thoroughfares have not been widened since those days. The organizers planned a generously long route to give a maximum number of people a chance to see; they were able to mobilize a force of several thousand performers who went through a gruelling three-hour slow march without mishap, and they devised a system of fees for commercial floats that covered a good part of the expense involved.

AFTER THE CARNIVAL

The traffic and police arrangements were equally smooth, and the latter in particular, were not only efficient and successful in maintaining admirably good order, but friendly and helpful as well, despite the heavy responsibility involved.

ness of municipal councils and of the police to be efficient, however, and most likely no amount of careful organization could have produced these results but for the fact that the population is more disciplined and more secure than it was in 1949, when the first Independence Day military parade had to be abandoned because it proved impossible to keep the public from overflowing and invading the route. Now there was the relaxed mood of people willing to bring chairs and benches in the morning and face a wait of several hours. Israel has up to now remained mercifully free of public drunkenness and in the squares and streets where there was dancing in the evening there was little rowdy behaviour. Lines and circles of dancers formed and reformed spontaneously, made up of Tel Avivians and newcomers from Jaffa, country visitors, and boys and girls from the *ma'barot*. Anyone who feared that immigration and other changes have split the population might have had his fears set at rest by seeing the young people, at least, taking their fun together without asking to see party cards or certificates of origin.

There has been a good deal of criticism of the design and production of the parade. It might be true to say that the series of highly decorative Biblical floats were a little obvious, while the meaning of the satirical pieces must have been obscure to many. The public certainly applauded most when what it saw was quite unmistakable, such as the grandiose Mordechai on the horse with the banner tail, or a group with direct appeal, such as the mounted *shomrim*. There might well have been closer public identification with the enterprise and more enthusiasm had public organizations been invited to make contributions of their own, even at the expense of artistic balance and unity. The paying section that was open to firms and organizations not only lost in impressiveness through the absence of the Histadrut organizations, but actually suffered a total and irreparable imbalance as a result. Herut seemed the only body engaged on land settlement; Solel Boneh had abdicated, and Tnuva did not exist.

It is a pity that a town's festival should have been so much reduced in stature by lack of cooperation. Whatever the immediate causes that led to this unhappy decision, it would appear that the coming elections cast their shadow in the unwillingness of either side to help the other show itself in a favourable light. In the light of this failure, the organizers might have withdrawn the somewhat puny float entitled "When the Parties Unite," and showing half a dozen men in business suits, working clothes and caftans shaking hands, for it had lost all power of persuasion.

Khrushchev Not Absolute Power in New Set-Up

By EDWARD CRANKSHAW

LONDON, (OFNS)

WHEN the Supreme Soviet adjourned after assisting at the political obsequies of Malenkov, it was plain that it had left many loose ends. It was not enough for Khrushchev, Bulganin and their friends to remove the head of the Government: the Government itself had to be reformed. And the fact that this was not done while the Supreme Soviet was in session, indicated that there was still a great deal of coming and going behind the scenes, bargaining and intriguing, and all the paraphernalia of cabinet-making in all countries — with the added drama of physical menace which is peculiar to Russia.

The latest ministerial changes faintly reflect the realities of bitter strife and elaborate manoeuvre. They fall into two parts. The promotion of Mikoyan, Saburov and Pervukhin to be First Deputy Prime Ministers represented the constructive part: Bulganin now has a working Cabinet of his own which excludes Malenkov but includes men who in the past had supported Malenkov. There will be no more Cabinet-making until the next upheaval. But the sacking of Kozlov, Minister of State Farms, and Zasiadko, Minister for the Coal Industry, marks the destructive part and is in effect the beginning of a purge (it need not be a blood purge) which is bound to spread downwards through the whole fabric of central and provincial government. Malenkov was first reduced and is now being forced into isolation: his friends and supporters are either being bought or relegated to limbo.

The case of Pervukhin, who once held the job at the head of the electrical industry which Malenkov now holds, is particularly revealing. For Pervukhin was known as one of Malenkov's own proteges, who owed much to his late master. His elevation, and the elevation of Saburov, the tough and compelling Chairman of the State Planning Committee, emphasized the irremediable nature of Malenkov's fall. It is now perfectly clear that Malenkov is out.

Leap-Frog

It would have been permissible (though misguided) to argue, as some did, that Malenkov's "resignation" from the first position in the land was in some measure voluntary, if he had remained among the first half-dozen leaders. But the leap-frogging of his inferiors and their inclusion in the Cabinet of First Deputy Premiers from which he himself is excluded, makes nonsense of such an idea.

As far as we have been told, Malenkov is still a member of the Presidium of the Central Committee. But he seems unlikely to last for long in that position. Apart from Marshal Voroshilov, who, as titular head of the State, holds no Government post, and Khrushchev, who is for obvious reasons being confined to the Party leadership, Malenkov is the only member of the Party Presidium (the new name for the old Politburo) who is not also a First Deputy Prime Minister. It is more than probable that he has already been excluded from the highest deliberations of the Party.

For the time being, the new rulers are going out of their way to be nice in public to Malenkov, while depriving him of his powers. He appears in public with his old subordinates and takes precedence over the men who are now his superiors. This is one of those old Russian customs which, with their cold and insolent cynicism send a shudder down the spine of more sentimental persons. We remember Stalin's hypocritical embraces of the men he had set himself to kill. It is very clear that the new Government is by its best behaviour and is going out of its way to reassure the Soviet people whose memories of the bloody purges of the 30's were frighteningly stimulated by the melodrama of the "doctors' plot" and, later still, by the execution of Beria. And the strength of Khrushchev's determination to allay incipient panic was strikingly and deliberately displayed by his attendance (with Malenkov) at the opening night of Korneichuk's new play, "Wings," with its strange little scene pillorying past brutalities and injustices of the Secret Police.

In this connection, it is worth recording that the publication of "Wings" towards the end of last year was one of the accumulating signs of Khrushchev's own rise: in a certain scene, passages from one of his own speeches were quoted and applauded, although the same effect could have been obtained by quoting a relevant speech of Malenkov's. This was at the time when Khrushchev's own re-writing of his war record, at the expense of Malenkov's, began to manifest itself in various periodicals.

Mikoyan Bribed

Thus, the situation at present is that Malenkov is down and virtually out, that the new Government has achieved what appears to be its final form, that men who might have been expected to support Malenkov (and up to a point certainly did) have been bribed by promotion and a strong voice in affairs (Mikoyan, who is clearly to be the dictator of Soviet trade and the architect of the new Soviet ruble imperialism which is already beginning to manifest itself disquietingly in Scandinavia is, with Pervukhin, the supreme example of this), that the purge of Malenkov supporters is on.

The force behind this upheaval is the force of Khrushchev, but Khrushchev is still a long way from becoming the unopposed Big Brother. He finds himself the strongest single man, but with by no means absolute powers. He governs the Party and can make and break Prime Ministers but only by consent. And the men who have consented to his taking so much limelight can meet as members of the Cabinet of Deputy Prime Ministers from which he is excluded.

Khrushchev's position is an odd one. It stands or falls by the success of the new drive to reform the food production of the Soviet Union. It is the most exposed and vulnerable position in the world, and there is no doubt at all that Khrushchev's colleagues are fully aware of this and that some of them are waiting, poker-faced, to see him fall.

Electoral Reform (II)

Flaws in British System

By GERDA LUFT

TWO features characterise the British electoral system: the country is divided into constituencies in each of which one candidate is elected, and there are only two big parties which determine the policy of the country. This latter statement, however, needs qualification. Nothing prevents other parties besides Conservatives and Labour from putting up candidates. During the elections in 1950, 15 parties appeared on the ballot, and in 1951, ten. Many, such as the national parties from Wales and Scotland, do not appeal to the general public at all.

It is quite easy to stand for Parliament in Britain. The candidate need only find one elector to propose him, another to second him, and eight others to assent to his candidature, and give a deposit of £150 which is returned to him if he gets one eighth of the votes in the constituency. But this does not mean that a man who wants to stand as an independent and fulfils these conditions has much chance of being elected. In former times, the power of the important persons in the constituencies influenced elections, often decisively. Today, it is the influence of the big parties that counts.

Constituency Total

The candidate who gets more votes than any other is elected even if he gets less than 50 per cent of the total polled in his constituency. This often happens when a third candidate appears, and that is why the third candidate can exert considerable influence on the outcome of the fight. All the votes which do not go to the winner are lost.

This system may wig a majority in the House of Commons for the party that has polled the smaller national vote. Until recently, it was unusual in Britain to figure out the total number of votes polled by each party. When the race became close, however, in the elections of 1950 and 1951, interest in the total number of votes polled by each party began to grow. When the Labour Party, with 295 seats in the House of Commons, was defeated in 1951, it had nevertheless succeeded (together with the Cooperative Party) in getting 13,984,358 votes. The Conservatives, who polled 13,724,418 votes, got 321 seats.

In a country which insists on a strict proportion between the votes polled and the seats allotted this situation would have aroused resentment. Not so in Britain. The system suits a way of thinking which looks at elections much as it looks at the races.

The whole system can only work, of course, if there exist only two big parties. If there appear three really powerful parties, as was the case when the Liberals were still strong and Labour rose to power, the whole system is in danger of collapsing. It has been kept in motion by the peculiar British attitude which takes the need to keep the two-party system working into account at the polls. And there has until now been no Communist Party which could command mass support in Britain.

Nevertheless criticism of the system has lately become more vocal. It centres around two points: the first is the election of candidates who poll less than 50 per cent of the votes, the second concerns the swiftly rising influence of the party machines.

Second Ballot

Reforms aim at preventing a candidate from being elected if he does not get an absolute majority of the votes polled. This can be done by a "second ballot" in which only the two candidates who got the biggest vote in the first appear. The drawback to this proposal is obviously that it needs two ballots and thus makes elections cumbrous. Another suggested reform is the "alternative vote" with the elector pointing out on the voting slip which of the candidates he would prefer in the second place. This procedure makes the second ballot unnecessary but complicates the voting and counting process. Both methods impair the simplicity of constituency voting.

There are no such clear-cut proposals for curbing growing party influence. Under the British system, the parties are not officially recognized as partners in the election process. In fact representatives of the various parties keep official watch over the elections at the ballot-box and are supposed to make sure that none favours its own party-members. The official presiding at the polls is a British constituency, however, will not even answer when asked to what party the candidates belong. In Hansard, the official record of Parliamentary debates, the party affiliation of Members of Parliament is not recorded until this day. The Party associations which determine who is to be their candidate in a constituency dissolve immediately after having made the choice in order to point up that it is the individual candidate who is running.

However, all these usages, evolved during long years of election practice, could not prevent the parties from becoming the decisive influence. And with the growth of the parties the influence of the party machine has been growing, too. It is almost impossible for an independent candidate to have himself elected to the House of Commons. Within the parties, discipline has become more strict and the individual member has not much choice about the stand he is to take. The result has been that persons with a strong will and a strong mind are reluctant to enter the political arena, as they fear to become cogs in the party machine. The influence of the small number of men who control that machine grows greater as they decide which candidates to run in the constituencies and as they pilot policies through the party conferences. It is the well-known phenomenon of an oligarchy emerging out of a democratic body, depicted vividly by Michels half a century ago.

Campaign Expenditure

One of the complications arising out of the influence of the party machines is the difficulty to enforce the legal limits to election expenditure. During the fight over nationalization in Britain, big companies safely ran advertisements against it because they mentioned no names of candidates or constituencies. The limitation of expenditure for a single candidate loses its meaning when in addition to his personal expenses and those of his friends, the huge party machine is set into motion. The problem of expenditure has remained unsolved in all the modern big democracies, especially in the United States, and so far no remedy has been devised for the present state of affairs.

It must be pointed out that the dangers to the two-party system, as they appear in Britain today, are mitigated by the work of a civil service which is still non-partisan and remains at the service of whatever government is in power. It makes both for continuity and for an invaluable wealth of administrative knowledge and routine on which inexperienced elected officials can draw. There is the story of the Civil Servant telling the Minister in charge of his Department: "If you must do such a deuced silly thing must you go it in such a deuced silly way? . . . and advising him on the best way to implement a policy of which he disapproved.

Finally, the reduction of the floating vote by the influence of the party machines must be mentioned. The British system has always worked well owing to the big floating vote which made the electorate swing round from one of the big parties, held up by a compact core of staunch adherents, to the other. It may well be that this floating vote will become smaller as more persons are drawn into the sphere of influence of the parties.

Yesterday's Press

Adloyada Pointers for 1956

ALL Wednesday morning papers report the Adloyada in great detail. Quoting Messrs. Sharett and Rokach as well as foreign observers, "Haboker" (General Zionist) says that it was a great success. "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) believes on the other hand that there was only an official part (the parade) in the celebrations and little else, and regrets in particular that the Labour Movement did not take an active part in the preparations.

"Ha'aretz" (non-party) thinks that the parade was too long and that there was no central idea guiding it, and hopes that the organizers will learn from this year's mistakes. "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) also says that the masses were disappointed — but for a different reason: the "Haman of our day" (America) was not included in the parade. "Omer" (Histadrut) expresses regret about the many Indians and gangsters and the fact that very few youngsters chose costumes from Jewish history and tradition.

New York Conference

"Davar" (Histadrut) comments on the conference of Jewish organizations in New York and welcomes the solidarity with Israel expressed on that occasion. Instead of reducing our concern, the speech of the State Department representative has shown how justified our apprehensions are. "Haboker" (General Zionist) says that recent editorial comment on Israel foreign policy in our pro-Soviet papers was in line with the spirit of Purim: It was difficult to take it seriously. Israel tried the policy of non-identification (or neutralism) in the past and it was an outright failure. The attitude of the Soviet Union remained unfriendly, the article on Israel in the Soviet Cyclopaedia being the most cogent demonstration of Soviet feelings towards Israel.

"Zmanim" (Progressive) comments on the new Egyptian-Syrian pact, whose political and military importance it thinks fairly limited though it may have some nuisance value for Israel. It should be regarded perhaps as some transitional stage towards the establishment of a new organizational framework in the Middle East.

"Lamerhav" (Ahdut Ha'avoda) complains about imperialist machination and intrigues in and around Formosa, while "Hatzofe" (World Misrahi Union) is angry about the attitude of the General Zionists towards Mayor Kariv of Jerusalem. Here the General Zionists have proved again that they are not serious coalition partners.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) expresses concern about the renewal of talks between Mapai and General Zionists with a view to changing the national electoral system. The working class opposes the anti-democratic procedure of elections on the basis of regional constituencies. Ben-Gurion is wrong in seeing the source of the evil in the presence of too many parties: There does exist a stable majority, the pioneering workers' parties, but Mapai has preferred to collaborate with the General Zionists instead.

Sélection DU Reader's Digest

MARCH 1955 ISSUE

La vie existe-t-elle sur d'autres planetes?
Les hôtes étranges de la forêt vierge
L'homme qui ressuscite
Farmee allemande
Faut-il modifier notre calendrier?
Une seule cause a toutes nos maladies?
Le premier gentleman d'Angleterre
Le trafic de l'opium en Chine
Paroles magiques
Comment aider nos amis dans la peine
On ne peut jamais savoir
On lit sur votre visage
L'être le plus extraordinaire
1955 : année decisive pour l'automobile
Humour en uniforme
Le Japon guetté par la famine

Deux Livres Condensés

Lucille, la joie de vivre a la television
Merveille de l'esprit humain

Price 350 Pruta

Obtainable everywhere

Sole Distributor:

Steimatzky's Agency

Readers' Letters

"ORIENTAL MIND"

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I would like to raise a few points regarding your front page comment on the "oriental mind" on March 3.

As the term "orient," applies to the most complex mosaic of cultural traditions, histories and races in the world, any generalizations about the "mind" of its inhabitants as a whole must be false. An argument based on "race" doesn't hold in this racially complex area, for there is not one race which could determine its members' processes of thought. Nor can the argument of cultural conditioning be valid, as one can easily establish by trying to find uniformity among the various groups of Jews who came here from the "orient." What, therefore, do the correspondent's statements signify?

It would be more useful to concern ourselves with evaluating the social, economic and other conditions which determine the behaviour of politicians and the masses in the Arab countries, rather than with sweeping generalizations of no value.

Yours, etc.
LEONARD KASDAN

Haifa, March 3.

THANKS OF SURVIVORS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — May we, through the medium of your columns, express our gratitude to Mrs. Bracha Steinman, soon to visit Israel, for the help she extended to us and many other Tulchiner families after the European holocaust?

It is almost impossible for us, former inmates of concentration camps, to describe sufficiently our great happiness in welcoming Mrs. Steinman, who helped clothe and feed us and took care of all our needs after we were freed.

Yours etc.
WOLF MILRAD

Jerusalem, February.

ISRAEL ART ABROAD

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — For a long time I have thought of Israel Art as an unsurpassed medium of bringing home Israel's atmosphere and life to the many Jews for whom a trip there is impossible.

Would it not be worthwhile to show a comprehensive exhibition in large Jewish centres abroad? It can be export business for Israel, as many paintings might be sold in such countries. Zionist organizations may willingly participate in the financial risk of the undertaking, the moral effect of which would be great.

I submit this idea to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry or of Education and Culture. They will be able to find a body of men to act as judges of what should tour the world to do honour to Israel's art and to satisfy Jewish hunger for, and Gentile interest, in the artistic reflection of Israel's life.

Also, is there no photograph society which could undertake to build up a touring exhibition of enlarged reproductions?

Yours, etc.
WALTER PINNER
Birmingham Zionist Council

Birmingham.

KEEPING POSTED

WELL now, that was something like. Half a million people taking the day off with the children to enjoy themselves. Some of the older generation seemed a bit bewildered, not quite sure what they had joined in this tremendous scrimmage for, and ended up by taking the line that it was well worth celebrating the mere fact that, for the first time in 20 years, there was no urgent nation-wide reason why Tel Aviv should not celebrate Purim once again. The young people did not seem short of a reason to make merry. In fact every one seemed quite happy except the very small children and their mothers and, of course, the professionally disenchanted, who would rather be seen dead than enjoying themselves in the company of the grocer, the labourer, the girl from the *Ma'bara*, and their own grandmother.

• • •

OUR own chief trouble was that, perhaps because of the heat and the long wait, our wits seemed to have deserted us and quite half the time we could not decide what the floats were meant to be. Some had banners and labels that got twisted or just went by too fast to be read, and sometimes there was no clue at all. We spent much of the evening debating whether the long round brown objects with a gold band round the middle were really cigars, and intended to advertise the Israel tobacco industry, or whether they were the handles of screw-drivers. We favoured the cigar theory, until someone pointed out that cigars would not have been mounted on round objects that might easily have been turnips. We could only reply that we personally never opened our turnips with a screw-driver, either, and to hope that something like a catalogue will be published next time, as is customary at surrealist art shows.

• • •

OUR personal prize would have gone to the section from a Zionist Congress, and not only because it was easy to recognize, with a bearded Herzl making a speech at one end, and a wildly gesticulating argumentative audience in fancy hats taking up one half of the auditorium, and some romantic end-of-the-century papier-maché figures in romantic poses behind them.

THE happiest man in the parade was Abba Cohen, who is said to have marked his 80th birthday some years ago, "though he does not care to discuss the matter. Dressed in a striped Bokharan gown and dancing the neat steps and gestures of a wedding dance up and down the roped-off sector somewhere in the north, it was difficult to believe at first that he was not merely another tall boy dressed up, neatly-combed beard and all. We were only persuaded when we noticed the deference with which he was treated by the police, who appreciate the special rights of the man who started the first volunteer fire-brigade in Tel Aviv rather more than 40 years ago. It is said that he began with a single pail that he took from his wife's kitchen while she was asleep, and had to canvass subscriptions for a long time before he had enough pails to make a human chain to carry water to a fire, a technique that he had learnt in Kharkov before he came to Tel Aviv. His other chief interest was carnivals, which he never missed, and in the long years when there were none he must have wondered often enough whether there would ever be another Adloyada for him to see. When the parade caught up with him he joined in for a couple of hundred yards, and then sat back to rest against a tree, with the satisfied look of a man who has beaten life and fate to the winning-post.

• • •

IN the evening we saw two small children dressed as cats trotting along the street talking to each other. We sneaked up behind them to learn what they thought of the parade, and discovered that they were talking only in miaows.

• • •

ON the whole, everybody looked happy in Tel Aviv. We did not like coming back to a Jerusalem echoing with shots and explosions, to see the crowds of boys at street corners watching to cheer every time a child or an old person jumped in fright at a firecracker. Some of the crackers were so loud — we learn they cost 350 mils apiece — that they sounded sufficiently like shots, and if the Old City Legionnaires for a week resisted the temptation to "shoot" back, then we venture to suggest they have more sense and are more entitled to our gratitude than Jerusalem's own Municipal officers, who failed to ban this dangerous game, as their colleagues in Tel Aviv and Haifa did, though this town had the most reason to prevent shooting.

4 Millionth Citrus Crate Loaded

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The season's four-millionth case of citrus shipped from the port here is due to leave in the s.s. Hadar tonight. The ship is taking 5,000 cases of fruit to Belgium and Holland. Today, the s.s. Baalbek is completing the loading of 46,000 cases for Norway and the s.s. Boralis has begun loading 68,000 cases for Britain and France.

This season's citrus exports are 14,000 cases ahead of last year's. So far, the hot and dry weather has not yet affected exports, although it is feared that the Mediterranean fly is increasing. Cold weather usually reduces this danger. This year, fruit has been sent to 21 countries, including Canada, Argentina, Iceland and West and East Germany.

Swiss Industries Fair,
BASEL
APRIL 16—26, 1955
An exhibition of Swiss industry
2300 Exhibitors in 17 professional groups
Best Air Connection:
Lydda—Zurich
by **SWISSAIR**
For information:
SWISS LEGATION, 82 Rehov Ahad Haam, Tel. 36689, Tel Aviv.
SWISSAIR, 28 Rehov Ahad Haam, Tel. 62167, Tel Aviv.

TOURISTS!
ASK FOR YOUR FREE COPY OF
LA'TAYAR
ISRAEL TOURIST FORTNIGHTLY
at all Government Tourist Information Offices, Tourist Hotels, Institutions, etc.

Seven days PASSOVER RECREATION at sea!
IL.100 and up (payable in Israel Pounds)
Sailing APRIL 8, 1955
RHODES—PIRAEUS —CRETE
Arrangement & Booking:
PELTRANSPORT LTD.
Jerusalem: 1 Ben Yehuda St. Tel. 4310
Tel Aviv: 109 Allenby Rd. Tel. 4382/39
Haifa: 74 Atzmauth Rd. Tel. 4562